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Warsaw residents crowd around a bus carrying cadets away after the police raid.

Gulf States Offer Oman Aid If It Drops U.S. Base Plan

By David B. Ottaway
Washington Post Service

RIYADH — Saudi Arabia and the other Gulf states have offered the Sultanate of Oman \$1.2 billion in aid if it agrees to cancel an agreement allowing the United States access to its military facilities.

The offer, disclosed by a high Saudi government official during a recent interview, was made during a meeting here of the newly formed Gulf Cooperation Council last month and would provide Oman with the equivalent of what it reportedly hopes to obtain in military and economic assistance from Washington as a quid pro quo for U.S. use of Oman's facilities.

In Washington, asked for a comment on the report, a State Department spokesman said: "We are not aware of any such action on the part of Saudi Arabia or the Gulf Cooperation Council. Given the close nature of our relations with Saudi Arabia, we kept Saudi Arabia informed as our arrangement with Oman was being negotiated."

The official Saudi view is that the Gulf states must keep a certain distance from the United States seems unchanged even by the U.S. Senate's approval of the sale of sophisticated Airborne Warning and Control System airplanes to Saudi Arabia, which was greeted here with great satisfaction if not outright jubilation.

The explanation for Riyadh's attitude appears to lie partly in the internal political dynamics of the newly formed Gulf Cooperation Council, which groups Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates in addition to Oman and Saudi Arabia.

INSIDE

Pearl Harbor

U.S. historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr. writes in *Insights* that the bombing of Pearl Harbor 40 years ago permanently changed the American republic.

The disaster, he says, made Americans determined to ensure that the United States would never again be vulnerable to devastating surprise attacks.

Yellow Rain

Sterling Seagrave, son of World War II's famed "Burma Surgeon," describes his fight to prove the use of poisonous "yellow rain" in Asia. Page 16.

'It's Hard to Tell on Someone...'

Students Explain Why a Murder Didn't Move Them

By Claire Spiegel
and Kevin Roderick
Los Angeles Times Service

MILPITAS, Calif. — They went in carloads, some of them more than once, to see Marcy Renee Conrad's nearly naked body lying in the hills above Milpitas High School.

The victim's former boyfriend took along his 8-year-old brother. One student picked up the girl's discarded jeans and cut off a decal advertising a rock radio station. Another student tried to hide the body with leaves.

Then, instead of reporting the killing of their companion to the police, they went back to class or the local pinball arcade. One went home and fell asleep listening in the radio.

The principal of the modern high school of 1,600 students in suburban Milpitas outside San Jose, said the youths were not high achievers and often cut classes. But he said they came from good working-class families and that few were from broken homes.

Some of the students said they did not report the body out of loyalty to the friend who bragged of the killing. Many said they did not want to get involved because they had been in trouble before and did not trust the police.

Lies From Students

Anthony Jacques Broussard, a 16-year-old Milpitas High junior who the police said led several groups of students to the strangled body of the 14-year-old, was arrested two days after the killing when two former students saw the body and went to the police.

Even after the arrest, however, students who saw the body refused to volunteer information. When the police tracked them down, two of them lied.

"I told them I don't know nothing about it," said Mark Fowles, 16, who said he was one of the first students to see the body and took his 8-year-old brother along for the ride.

Mr. Fowles, who was Miss Conrad's steady boy-

friend last summer, recalled that it was Nov. 4, a Wednesday, and they were hanging around the parking lot of a pinball arcade with two other students, Jerry Epperson and John Hansen. They coaxed Mr. Broussard into telling his secret, then accepted his offer to see the body.

Mr. Hansen said they jumped into Mr. Broussard's truck and went up toward Calaveras Reservoir, with Mr. Broussard pointing out the girl's purse and school book binder lying along the road.

"I knew it was her from her clothes," Mr. Hansen said. "I just said take me home. All I could think about was, Jacques is in trouble now."

Looked Pretty Real

Mr. Hansen and Mr. Fowles' 8-year-old brother did not get out of the truck to look closely at the body. But even from the roadway, Mr. Hansen said later, "it looked pretty real to me."

They drove back, and Mr. Epperson and Mr. Hansen were dropped off at the pinball arcade. Mr. Fowles went home, holed up in his room with the radio on and fell asleep without dinner.

Mr. Fowles, who said he was Mr. Broussard's best friend, went to Mr. Broussard's house the next day. He said he was shown the living room sofa where his friend was strangled. "I thought here I am, sitting in the same room three feet away from where this chick was killed," he said.

Mr. Fowles did not tell his parents, "I do not relate to them," he said.

Mr. Fowles denied any knowledge of the body to the police and only told the real story when Mr. Broussard was arrested later in the evening. It's hard to tell on someone who has been your friend for 10 years," he said.

Many of the students who went to see the body were not Mr. Broussard's close friends. They knew him casually as a likable fellow who was gentle despite his size — 6 feet 4 inches and 280 pounds.

Mr. Hansen, for one, said he had met Mr. Broussard (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

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Police Storm a School in Warsaw; Cadets Are Evicted Without Injury

Solidarity Meets in Capital To Decide How to Respond

By Henry Kamm
New York Times Service

WARSAW — Riot police backed by large army contingents mounted a helicopter-borne assault against striking cadets at a firefighters' academy in a residential area of the Polish capital this morning and removed about 340 students without bloodshed.

As a large crowd ringed the three-story building outside the dormitory of soldiers and jeered the authorities, the cadets, in their dress uniforms, were driven out of the area in buses and trucks at railroad stations around the city.

Most made their way to the regional headquarters of the free trade union Solidarity, where they were reunited with their families.

The swift paramilitary operation ended a tense confrontation between the cadets, who were under paramilitary discipline and were demanding status equal to that of university students, and the Communist government, which considered the eight-day sit-in more a mutiny than a civil protest.

The only person believed to have been detained was Seweryn Jaworski, deputy leader of the regional Solidarity organization, who had joined the cadets inside the academy, along with about a dozen representatives from universities and factories. Reuters reported that he had been freed after interrogation.

Commandant Freed

The government press agency PAP said the assault liberated the commandant, Col. Krzysztof Smolarkiewicz.

The national leadership of Solidarity, headed by Lech Walesa,

met into the night at a hotel here in a session largely devoted to the first assault in force against strikers since the "renewal" that began last year.

However, a union spokesman said before the meeting that the organization did not want Wednesday's event to deflect it from its principal goals, which he said were to feed Poland's workers and assure them of heated homes during the coming winter.

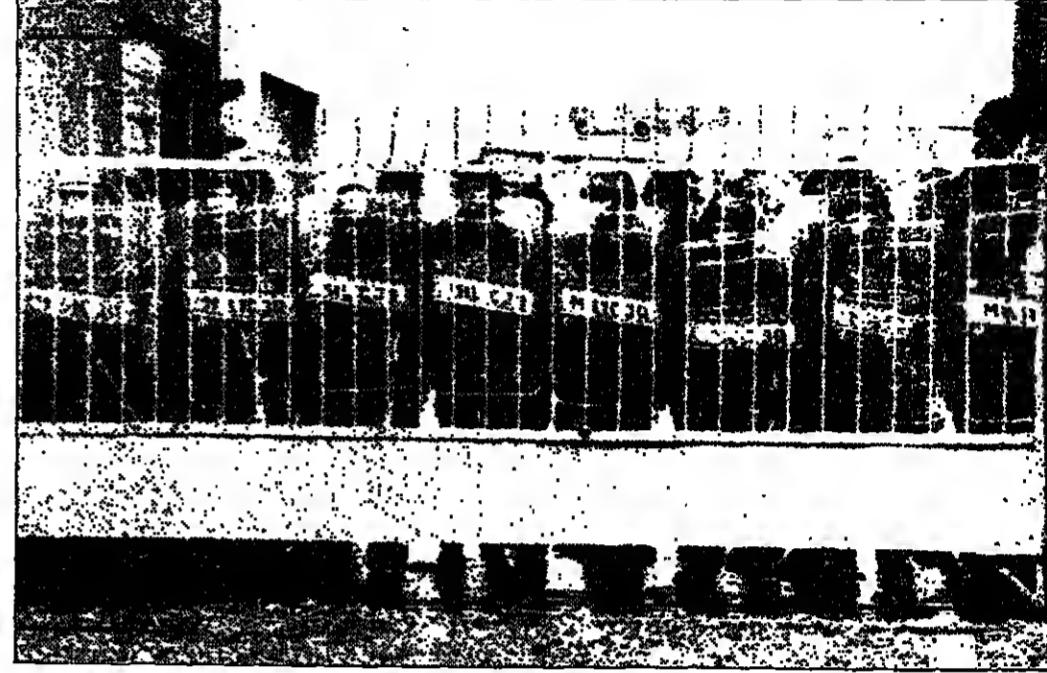
Despite this moderate attitude, the open anger of the crowd around the academy before and after the assault, as well as the excited throng around Solidarity's regional headquarters in a school building in the center of the city afterward, afforded no assurance that an angry aftermath could be avoided.

Solidarity activists in various factories in the Warsaw region were said to be in a grim mood, and Mr. Walesa on Wednesday morning issued instructions to his regional organizations to be ready for possible strikes. None was reported to have occurred.

Telephone Lines Cut

The government, however, felt the union's capacity for quick action during the critical hours surrounding the storming of the academy. A Solidarity spokesman reported that the union's telephone and telefax lines had been cut, as well as communications facilities at factories in the area, presumably so that the students had installed and berated the unresisting cadets into the main auditorium.

However, the spokesman said, Solidarity members at national telecommunication headquarters



The Associated Press

Police commandos continued to guard the Warsaw firefighters' school after the cadets' removal.

Worse, when soldiers began to remove the barriers around the entrance, they demanded that the police do its own "dirty work." The soldiers looked sheepish.

Clearly they considered the soldiers as a continuation of Poland's military history and the police as servants of an unpopular regime. When the police lowered the Polish flag, so the cadets had planned on a stubby tower over the building, the crowd shouted its anger and sang the national anthem.

They sang it once more minutes later when young people on a nearby balcony held up white and red sheets of cloth in a makeshift Polish flag. Members of the crowd held up small flags with the image of the Black Madonna of Czestochowa, the sacred symbol of this Roman Catholic nation.

Charter Plan Approved by Ottawa House

Commons Endorses Trudeau's Program

United Press International
OTTAWA — The Canadian House of Commons overwhelmingly approved a resolution Wednesday asking Britain to give Canada its own constitution for the first time and remove the last vestiges of the nation's colonial status.

The 246-24 vote backed Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau's transfer of power to Britain's transfer of the British North America Act — which has served as Canada's constitution for 114 years — after modifying it to include a bill of rights and an amending formula so further changes can be made later.

Legislators rose to their feet in the emotion-charged House and sang the national anthem, "O Canada," simultaneously in French and English.

In Quebec City, Premier René Lévesque, the only one of Canada's 10 premiers to withhold his province's consent from the agreement worked out by Mr. Trudeau, suspended legislative proceedings and ordered flags lowered to half-mast on government buildings to mourn the passage of the resolution.

Affects Quebec's Rights

"That vote substantially affects Quebec's rights and undermines powers in the National Assembly," Mr. Lévesque said.

The constitutional package will be sent to the Senate for further debate and ratification before it is sent to Governor General Edward Schreyer — Queen Elizabeth's official representative in Canada — for royal assent, and then to the British Parliament in London.

Only the province of Quebec, with its secessionist government, has opposed the federal constitutional reform initiative. It claims that the new constitution would undermine its rights and powers.

The predominantly French-speaking province has threatened to challenge the federal move in the courts.

Remain in Commonwealth

Mr. Trudeau has repeatedly assured Canadians that the changes would not affect Canada's standing as a member of the Commonwealth and that the queen would not be replaced as the symbolic head of state.

Canada will maintain its parliamentary democracy, Supreme Court, Senate and other institutions modeled after the British system of government.



The Associated Press
President Reagan addressing the White House Conference on Aging during an unscheduled visit. The president, 70, said that he objected being portrayed as an enemy of his generation, that he would not betray those entitled to Social Security and that he would put it on a sound basis.

State and Local Officials in U.S. Assail Reagan's 'New Federalism'

By B. Drummond Ayres Jr.
New York Times Service

DETROIT — A number of state and local officials have served notice on President Reagan that he has all but lost faith in his "new federalism."

Abandoning their previous resistance to attack the concept vigorously, the officials labeled it a "meat-and-potatoes" approach to budget cutting, an "oversimplification" of the Constitution and "a sham and a waste."

Some of the most bitter criticism delivered here Tuesday midway through the annual conference of the National League of Cities, came from state and local officials who had been considered allies in the president's attempt to shift power and programs from Washington to state capitals, city halls and county offices. Their primary complaint was that responsibilities were being shifted but not the monetary means to meet them.

Shocked to the Core

Perhaps the most surprising attack came from Gov. Richard A. Snelling of Vermont, a conservative Republican who is the current chairman of the National Governors Association.

Addressing the league Tuesday morning and speaking later at a news conference, Gov. Snelling said that he was a good Republican who fully favored a reinvigorated federalism, but nevertheless had been "shocked to the core" by

some of Mr. Reagan's interpretations of the way it should work.

Gov. Snelling warned that what he saw as the Reagan administration's rush to cut programs, shift responsibilities and reconstruct a governmental system that had taken decades to build up was leading the country toward "an economic Bay of Pigs," a reference to the unsuccessful attempt by Cuban exiles trained and armed by the United States to overthrow the Castro regime in April, 1961.

All governors, Gov. Snelling said, "are concerned about the rate at which these actions are being carried out and whether there is an open ear."

The governor said that Mr. Reagan should clarify his views on federalism, and called for a "summit meeting" on federalism and a moratorium on further cuts in federal programs, pending adjustments to earlier cuts by state and local governments.

Asked later what effect Gov. Snelling's remarks might have on the president, Richard Salisbury Williamson, assistant to the president for intergovernmental affairs, said jokingly: "Dick probably is easily shocked."

Gov. Snelling saw a danger in such a concept of constitutional responsibilities. "I submit that such a move would be more than a return to the Constitution," he said. "It would be return to the Constitution and pass it by to the period which existed before the Constitution was adopted, when this country was a confederation of states in which it was assumed that there were no responsibilities which extended beyond state borders except those of a national defense and coinage and the like."

Mr. Hudnut, a conservative Republican who often supported Mr.

Iraqi Kurds Resume Fight, Pledge Loyalty To Broad New Front

By Edward Cody
Washington Post Service

PARIS — Proclaiming allegiance to a broad new opposition grouping, Iraqi Kurds have resumed their armed uprising against the Baghdad government of President Saddam Hussein after more than six years of relative submission, according to reliable reports in Paris.

The unrest in several areas of northern Iraq reflects in part a weakening of Iraqi Army control because of the need to reassign forces to other fronts for the 14-month-old war with Iran. The reports reaching here say it also has been encouraged by fresh military and financial aid from Syria and Iran along with increased organization by the recent coalition of Iraqi dissidents, two key Kurdish parties, breakaway Iraqi Army officers and Shiite Moslem religious leaders.

Western diplomatic sources, confirming the tenor of reports from the Middle East, said Iraqi Army control has been confined to the region's major towns and roads, particularly at night, because of attacks by the rearmed Pesh Merga guerrillas since summer. It is too early to predict whether the renewed uprising will evolve into another major problem for Mr. Hussein's government, already strapped because the war with Iran is dragging on longer than expected, they added.

Proclaimed Goal

The opposition grouping, the Iraqi Front of Revolutionary, Islamic and National Forces, was formed in July with the proclaimed goal of toppling Mr. Hussein and replacing his regime with a government pledged to democratic freedoms, including local autonomy for Iraqi Kurds. Its formation marked at least a partial end to the long history of disputes between various Iraqi rebel groups based in Damascus, but unable to join forces against their common enemy.

In addition, the grouping renewed for the first time since the Kurdish uprising was crushed in March, 1975, working links between major Kurdish rebel groups and political opponents of Mr. Hussein with access to Syrian or Iranian backing.

Groups belonging to the front, according to the official, include the Kurdish Democratic Party, led

by Massoud Barzani; opposition segments of the Iraqi Ba'ath Party led by Bakr Yassin and backed by Syria as part of the perennial struggle between the Syrian and Iraqi wings of the Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party; the Basak, or Kurdish Socialist, Party, led by Mahmoud Othman; and exiled Shiite Moslem clerics in touch with Iranian mullahs and accused by Mr. Hussein's government of attempting to foment a Khomeini-style revolution in Iraq.

Potentially Explosive

Iraqi Shiites, a thin majority of the country's 12 million inhabitants, represent a potentially explosive opposition to Mr. Hussein's Sunnite-run government.

The front, which also has begun dissident radio broadcasts from a station just inside Iran, has pledged to grant Iraq's Kurds self-rule "within the framework of Iraqi national sovereignty." In addition, it has agreed that if it takes over in Baghdad, Pesh Merga guerrillas would guard Iraq's northern borders with Iran and Turkey as part of the armed forces."

These measures would remove a major source of friction in Iraq's Kurdish areas. Although Mr. Hussein set up a Kurdish executive council after crushing the revolt in 1973, the Iraqi Army was stationed heavily through the region to make sure Kurdish warriors who returned home remained subservient to government authority.

Khomeini Urges Removal

BEIRUT (AP) — Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the Iranian leader, told Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to quit Wednesday and join his "friends in Paris before the people overthrow you."

"I advise you to join your other friends in Paris and form a government," Tehran Radio quoted Ayatollah Khomeini as saying in a speech to military cadets at his residence.

He was referring to anti-Khomeini exiles in Paris, including former President Abolhassan Banisadr and the leftist guerrilla leader Massoud Rajavi.

The Iraqi president declared last month that Iraq was ready to "open the door wide" to cooperate with Iranian opposition groups seeking to overthrow Ayatollah Khomeini.

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Michael Hoare entering court, followed by fellow defendants Peter Duffy and Ken Dalgleish.

5 Suspects in Seychelles Coup Bid Released on Bail in South Africa

By George Wilson
Washington Post Service

PRETORIA — Michael Hoare and four other men, facing possible death sentences following an attempted coup in the Seychelles last week, were released on bail Wednesday by a South African court.

The decision by the state prosecutor not to oppose bail was the latest twist in the case, which began last week with an attempt to depose Seychelles President Albert René. The attempt was foiled after a gun battle at Seychelles International Airport, during which an Indian airliner was hijacked from the airport to the South African city of Durban.

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No Maximum Sentence

South African law lays down no maximum sentence for the offense, and legal experts said that the five could be sentenced to death if found guilty.

In a move that brought immediate protest from opposition politicians, all 39 other alleged mercenaries who surrendered when the hijacked plane landed in Durban last Wednesday were released from prison Tuesday night.

Mr. Hoare stood impassively with his hands behind his back while Magistrate Cornelius van Loggenberg asked him if he understood the conditions of his 10,000- (\$10,400) bail.

The Irish-born adventurer answered, "Yes, sir," and said he that could put the bail up immediately.

The four others were released on 5,000-rupee bail. All five were ordered to surrender their passports, to report to police once a week and not to communicate with state witnesses. After 10 minutes, the hearing was adjourned until Jan. 7 for further investigation.

Possible Witnesses

Police and legal sources said that the five could face further charges apart from kidnapping when the court reconvenes. Some of the 39 men released may also face charges later, while others would appear as witnesses.

Tullio Moneta, 42, an Italian-born South African; Peter Duffy, 40, a free-lance news photographer with a British passport who has lived in Durban for years; Ken Dalgleish, 32, a Briton; and Charles Goatley, 27, from Zimbabwe, were lined up alongside Mr. Hoare.

Assailants Paraded

VICTORIA, Seychelles (Reuters) — The Seychelles government Wednesday paraded before the international press two of the five white alleged mercenaries whom it says it captured during the coup attempt last week.

The two, both with bruised and swollen faces, were presented to newsmen as President René said that he was convinced that South Africa had been involved in the coup attempt that ended when 44 assailants hijacked an Air India plane to South Africa.

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Begin Coalition Defeats 4 No-Confidence Votes

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Menachem Begin's coalition Wednesday defeated four parliamentary motions of no-confidence, introduced by opposition parties to protest a new U.S.-Israel strategic alliance.

With eight members of the 120-member Knesset absent, Mr. Begin's coalition defeated the measures by a 57-53 vote. There were two abstentions. The coalition controls 61 seats in the Knesset.

Mr. Begin, hospitalized with a broken hip, did not participate in the vote. But four of his Cabinet ministers, including Defense Minister Ariel Sharon, were flown home from abroad for the vote.

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vided protection against a Soviet threat.

An angry opposition accused Mr. Sharon of signing an agreement that increased Soviet-Israeli friction into outright confrontation but got little new from the United States.

Deals Unsettled

WASHINGTON (LAT) — Defense Minister Sharon said Tuesday that most details of the newly signed U.S.-Israeli agreement on "strategic cooperation" will not actually be worked out until next month and that some of those details may never be made public.

U.S. officials at the State Department and the Pentagon refused to spell out precisely what had been agreed to in the pact signed Monday night or to say how it differs from existing U.S. commitments on military cooperation with Israel.

However, the administration's refusal to discuss details of the agreement, as well as comments on it Tuesday by the State Department spokesman, Dean Fischer, suggested that the significance of the new pact was chiefly political, not military.

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California Students Tell Why a Murder Didn't Move Them

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said only twice and felt no loyalty to him. Mr. Hansen, who said he has been in frequent trouble with the police, explained he did not report the body "because I was afraid they would get me as an accessory or something."

Mr. Hansen was one of at least two students who went to take a second look at the body. Around noon Thursday, he led friends to the scene who wanted to see for themselves if the rumor about a body was true.

Spain Formally Applies For NATO Membership

Reuters

BRUSSELS — Spain formally applied Wednesday to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. NATO Secretary-General Jo-seph Luns announced.

The application was welcomed by the 15 members of the Atlantic alliance, he said to a statement. It was issued after a meeting of the 15 countries' representatives at which Greece's Socialist government lifted earlier objections to Spain's entry, diplomatic sources said.

Dave Leffler, a 16-year-old student at Calaveras Hills High School, said he touched the body on the arm. Mike Irvin, a former Milpitas student, said he prodded the body with a downed roadway marker and tossed aside a garbage bag of leaves that had been placed over her.

Mr. Leffler recalled being shaken and saying, "that's someone's daughter down there." But Mr. Hansen, who reportedly had bet a marijuana cigarette the body was real, was only interested in collecting the bat. Mr. Leffler said.

When Mr. Leffler and Mr. Irvin announced that they planned to go to the police and report the body, Mr. Hansen and Robby Engel, another student along on the midday trip, resisted.

Mr. Hansen and Mr. Engel confirmed later that they had not wanted to go to the police, and instead returned to school. Mr. Hansen said later, "All I could think was if they caught us up here, they would think we did it."

Mr. Engel, who said he would like to be known around campus as a "man without a conscience," went to a weightlifting class. "It was hugging me but I didn't want to get involved," he said later.

Later Thursday he told the

school principal, Charles Perotti, "I found a dead body." Mr. Perotti called police.

But by then the body had already been reported by Mr. Irvin and Mr. Leffler, the only youths to volunteer information about the crime to the police before or after discovery of the body. Milpitas police said they knew of 13 persons who viewed the body.

Detectives said Mr. Broussard

had been identified as Kirk Rasmussen, reportedly told the police that he was trying to help Mr. Broussard elude capture. The police said that a teen-age girl who accompanied Mr. Rasmussen to the radio station patch off the victim's jeans.

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Senate Panel Finishes Probe of Casey, Finds No Cause for Removal

By George Lardner
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence released a report Wednesday criticizing CIA Director William J. Casey for inattention to detail but finding no cause to call for his removal.

The report, which is six pages long, was completed Tuesday but not released until Wednesday to give Mr. Casey time to read it.

"It's safe to say the whole situation is not very flattering," Sen. Harrison H. Schmitt, Republican of New Mexico, told reporters Tuesday. "But you can't come to the conclusion that he is unfit to serve ... I just wish he was more attentive to details in his personal life."

The key finding of the report is that Mr. Casey is not "unfit to serve" as CIA director.

Lasted 4 Months

The committee's investigation, which lasted four months, delved primarily into Mr. Casey's business dealings and his failure to disclose various aspects of them in the financial reports he made to the Senate when he was nominated to be CIA director.

"There were omissions," Sen. Schmitt said. "I'm convinced they were inadvertent, but there were omissions."

U.S. Statistics on Cancer Patients Indicate a Rise in Survival Rates

By Cristine Russell
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — New five-year cancer survival statistics show that patients with the disease "are living longer now than ever before," the head of the National Cancer Institute has reported.

The latest numbers, considered the most complete data of this kind compiled by the federal government, indicate that at least 46 percent and possibly as many as 50 percent of white patients diagnosed with cancer from 1973 to 1979 are "curable," said the institute's director, Dr. Vincent T. DeVita Jr. The figures were reported Monday in a preliminary form to the National Cancer Advisory Board.

The survival rate is up from the five-year figure of 41 percent earlier reported for white patients diagnosed with cancer in the period 1967 to 1973. Dr. DeVita said that the increase indicates that the medical profession is having more success curing cancer than anyone realized.

Permit for Vessel to Burn PCBs Alarms U.S. Environment Groups

By Joaquin Omang
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — The incinerator ship Vulcanus, once used to destroy leftover Vietnam defoliant Agent Orange, will begin to burn 3.6 million gallons of oil full of dangerous PCBs in the Gulf of Mexico next week under a controversial research permit usually given only to small-scale test projects.

Until last week, the October permit to Chemical Waste Management Inc. of Oak Brook, Ill., had no requirement that the burn be proved effective until more than half of it was finished.

That was "an oversight," said T. William Musser, an Environmental Protection Agency official, and will be remedied in an amendment going out this week. The amendment will allow 850,000 gallons to

be burned before the ship's "destruction efficiency" is certified, an amount that still alarms some competitors and environmental groups.

The 334-foot ship, a converted tanker, has never before tried to destroy PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls), which are highly stable and hard to burn. The oil is also contaminated with dioxin, one of the most deadly substances known. Critics worry that PCBs escaping into the air from incomplete burning could be carried by the prevailing Gulf winds from the burn site in the middle of the Gulf about 350 miles (560 kilometers) southwest of Mobile, Ala., to populated areas, possibly endangering the health of millions.

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William J. Casey

Sen. Schmitt, however, said that part of the problem lies in "the ethics-in-government environment" that legislators have created in recent years. "We have made it unbelievably complex," he said.

"The main thing we found is that he was not attentive to detail in his own business matters," Sen. Schmitt said. But he said that should not be held against Mr. Casey in his capacity as CIA director.

At the CIA, Sen. Schmitt maintained, Mr. Casey has improved morale and "is demonstrating his fitness every day" in the intelligence field. The New Mexico Republican said there was no question in his mind that Mr. Reagan would keep him on the job.

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patients survive for five years or more.

The new survival data is the first to come from the SEER program, for Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results, which collects information about the occurrence and outcomes of cancer in patients in a 10-percent sample of the U.S. population.

The early survival statistics were taken from a smaller federal follow-up study conducted largely at university teaching hospitals and may not be as representative, Mr. Young said. He said that he did not know if the survival rate of this group was higher or lower because it might include more desperately ill patients, but that they might have received better treatment.

Dr. DeVita said that the new SEER survival data independently "confirm and exceed" recent estimates he has made for congressional testimony. He had said earlier this year that about 45 percent of the 785,000 patients diagnosed with serious cancer in 1980 may well show that 50 percent of white

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Dr. DeVita stressed that the 46-percent figure for white patients was conservative and that further analysis of the survival data may well show that 50 percent of white

Record Number Leave Vietnam With UN Aid

By Keyes Beech
Los Angeles Times Service

BANGKOK — Vietnamese leaving their country legally for resettlement abroad under the United Nations-sponsored orderly departure program reached a record high of 1,692 during October, officials said Wednesday.

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But Mr. Musser, a physical scientist in the EPA water office's

marine protection branch, said the agency is confident that the ship will handle PCBs as well as it did Agent Orange, which is also contaminated with dioxin. Another agency official said the burn area was chosen because the winds there should not carry the PCBs over land.

The Vulcanus' permit amendment will require that the ship's "destruction efficiency" be validated at the end of its first trip to the Gulf, Mr. Musser said. Three more trips would be needed to complete the 3.6-million-gallon project.

Donald Carruth of the American Eagle Foundation, a small environmental group of retired government officials, called the situation "a slapdash arrangement" in which there is no evidence of its competence.

"We're concerned that it is absolutely and thoroughly checked before this begins, and that a full complement of monitoring personnel go along," he said.

PCB Production Banned

Paula Waters, a company spokeswoman, said the firm is changing businesses that own the PCB oil \$3 to \$7 per gallon to take care of it. At that rate the permit is worth \$10.8 million to \$15.2 million. An EPA inspector and an independent monitoring firm will be on the vessel to watch its "destruction efficiency," with authority to halt the burn at any time, she said.

The EPA banned PCB production in 1979 and prohibited its disposal in landfills last year. But millions of old electrical transformers and capacitors containing PCB laden with oil either still in use or stored in warehouses awaiting a large-scale disposal method.

Spain May Open Gibraltar Frontier

Reserve

MADRID — Spain has begun preparations for the possible re-opening of its frontier with the British colony of Gibraltar, which was closed in 1969 by Franco, official sources said on Wednesday.

A Spanish Foreign Ministry spokesman said work began a few days ago to ready the frontier customs post and parking arrangements for possible reopening. He said the work could take three or four weeks to complete but stressed that no date had yet been fixed for opening the border.

The spokesman said talks on the Gibraltar problem between British and Spanish diplomats in Madrid were going well. It is hoped that an accord will be reached before Spanish Premier Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo pays an official visit to London on Jan. 8, the spokesman said.

5 Are Detained In West Berlin As Spy Suspects

The Associated Press

BERLIN — Three Soviet officers, a Soviet diplomat and an unidentified East German were detained after allegedly trying to obtain classified information from a U.S. soldier based in West Berlin, U.S. authorities said Wednesday.

West Berlin state security officials and U.S. military police jointly apprehended the espionage suspects in West Berlin's Grunewald Forest on Tuesday after the unidentified soldier — with the consent of his superior officers — acted as a decoy, a spokesman for the West Berlin U.S. Mission said.

In accordance with the four-power Berlin agreement and after questioning, the spokesman said, the Soviet suspects were handed over to an accredited Soviet diplomat in East Berlin.

West Berlin officials held the unidentified, 41-year-old East German suspect pending further investigation by a local judge.

Reagan Considers Shift In Stand on Controllers

By Steven R. Weisman
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — President Reagan has begun a campaign to repair his strained relations with organized labor by saying he might reconsider his three-year ban on retiring dismissed air traffic controllers for my federal job.

The possible modification of Mr. Reagan's hard-line position against the controllers was expressed during a meeting at the White House on Tuesday with leaders of the Teamsters union.

White House spokesmen emphasized, however, that there was no change in Mr. Reagan's position against retiring any of the 11,500 dismissed controllers to their old jobs.

The ban on retiring dismissed controllers for any federal job was declared because the administration deemed the strike illegal. The federal employees walked out on Aug. 3 to demand higher wages and shorter workweeks.

Rumors of Retiring

After the Teamsters meeting, there was a flurry of reports that Mr. Reagan was contemplating retiring the dismissed employees. These reports apparently came from secondhand accounts of Mr. Reagan's general comments that "maybe some things can be done" to help the dismissed workers, according to a participant at the Teamsters meeting.

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Fake Deposit Outside a Bank Enriches Thief

United Press International

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — A phony night deposit box outside a Springfield bank looked so real that the thief who created it may have got away with up to \$100,000, according to the police.

The fake safety deposit box was apparently set up during the weekend. Officials said Tuesday that they did not know exactly how much the thief got, but customers who found that money had not been credited to their accounts have begun filing reports with the bank and police. The estimates range from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

The police said the box looked so good that people that assumed the original was out of order and used what they believed to be a temporary one. The fake box was mounted over the top of the original box.

Deregulation Opposed

The Teamsters have opposed trucking deregulation out of a fear that will lead to a proliferation of trucking companies and make it more difficult to organize the industry.

Mr. Reagan on Tuesday reiterated his opposition to trucking deregulation, a position he took during the 1980 presidential campaign.

The president was to meet Wednesday with Lane T. Kirkland, president of the AFL-CIO, and the group's executive board. Mr. Reagan had not met with Mr. Kirkland since January. Since then, the White House has been angered by the labor leader's criticism of administration policies, especially the "Solidarity Day" march that he helped to organize.

A leading side, saying there was a difference of view within the White House on the question of retiring the controllers, said both the president and Transportation Secretary Drew L. Lewis Jr. were opposed to such a step.

British TV Rates Increase

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LONDON — Britain announced higher annual television reception license fees effective Wednesday, but froze the rates for three years over the objections of the British Broadcasting Corp. The cost of a license for a color television increased by about \$23.50 to \$90, while the annual fee for a black-and-white set went up \$5.85 to \$29.

The EEC Commission president, Gaston Thorn, will lead the Common Market delegation. Details of the talks have not been set, the spokesman said. Mr. Haig is also to attend a meeting of NATO foreign ministers in Brussels, he said.

Reliance on Contractors

He called on the utility companies to examine their policies on quality control and questioned whether there was too much reliance on contractors to maintain measures.

There was little immediate public reaction by utility operators, but Wallace Behan, vice chairman of the Commonwealth Edison Co. of Chicago, which relies heavily on nuclear power, was quoted as saying, "I was dismayed at Mr. Palladino's painbrush job. His inspectors are around all the time to see what's wrong."

U.S. A-Plant Faults Called 'Inexcusable'

By Wallace Turner
New York Times Service

SAN FRANCISCO — The chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has told executives of the nation's utilities and builders of nuclear power plants that he finds the failure of their quality assurance programs "inexcusable."

"During my first five months as NRC chairman," Nunzio J. Palladino said Tuesday, "a number of deficiencies at some plants have come to my attention which show a surprising lack of professionalism in the construction and preparation for operation of nuclear facilities. The responsibility for such deficiencies rests squarely on the shoulders of management."

Mr. Palladino, who began his five-year term July 1, spoke at the annual conference of the Atomic Industrial Forum, a four-day session that has drawn about 2,500 scientists, researchers and industry representatives.

Legacies of Many Kinds

"There have been lapses of many kinds — in design analyses resulting in built-in design errors, in poor construction practices, in falsified documents, in harassment of quality control personnel and in inadequate training of reactor operators," he said.

"Quality cannot be inspected into a plant," Mr. Palladino said. "It must be built into the plant. All of you, I am sure, would say that you know this, but the practices at some plants do not confirm that the importance of this principle is always understood."

Mr. Palladino's remarks centered on the nuclear electric generating plant industry's responsibility to help make reforms work in trimming back the complexity and delays caused by federal regulations.

The nuclear power industry has been beset by several problems in recent years. The Three Mile Island plant in Pennsylvania has remained closed after an accident in March, 1979, that was the worst in the industry's history.

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A Real Middle East Strategy

The United States is proclaiming so much consensus in the Middle East these days there's no telling what it is trying to achieve.

Its new memorandum of "strategic accord" with Israel, like last summer's "strategic consensus" with Saudi Arabia, promises elaborate military help for no discernible diplomatic objective. The consent of West Europeans to make a token contribution to a Sinai observer corps is being affirmed in a flurry of papers that pronounce the Camp David treaties both dead and alive. The peace between Egypt and Israel is being completed with an offer of Palestinian "autonomy" that defies definition. And a fragile cease-fire passes for policy in poor Lebanon.

America is central to all these separate agreements, struggling to lead a coalition of moderate nations that hope to avert another Arab-Israeli conflict. But it is not leading them anywhere, for the simple reason that it has been unwilling to prescribe and promote a resolution of the Palestinian problem.

That is, admittedly, a formidable task. No conceivable Israeli government will soon permit the birth of a full-blown Palestinian state in the West Bank. And the militant Palestinians camped in Lebanon are using Soviet weapons and exploiting Arab conflicts to hold out for nothing less.

But as Saudi Arabia and other members of the Arab League proved again last week, they cannot unite behind any attainable diplomatic goals of their own. And as Egypt learned, the only way to extract concessions from Israel is through collaboration with Washington, not Moscow.

There may be no peaceful answer at this stage. But no one can know until the Reagan administration finally puts the Palestinian issue ahead of its obsession with Soviet moves

in the Middle East. Only progress on that issue would bring a truly strategic breakthrough. And the way to pursue it is not by "completing" the Camp David accords but getting Israel and the Palestinians to face up to their real meaning.

The Camp David framework provides an evolutionary process, not a Saudi-style conference that extremists would dominate. It provides a role for the United States but not as a substitute for negotiation and collaboration among the parties.

It provides for a five-year delay in settling the status of the West Bank and Gaza and the boundaries of Israel — subject to the veto of Palestinians as well as Israel, Egypt, and Jordan. Until then, it promises Palestinians "full autonomy," a "self-governing authority," a strong local police force and the "withdrawal" of Israel's military government.

Prime Minister Begin has signed those terms, even though he seems now to fear that they would produce a clamorous Palestinian entity. The Palestinians, blind to that opportunity, have helped him back away by rejecting the whole approach. In today's climate, therefore, the Camp David terms appear once again to be a compromise, offering plausible promises of self-determination to Palestinians and security to Israel.

The time to revive those terms is now, before Egypt and Israel sign off Camp David. The way to revive those terms is to give them American definitions and to get Israel to cease all unilateral measures in the West Bank at the first sign of Arab interest. For if this opportunity is missed, the drift will be toward yet another war, more costly but no more conclusive than the four so far.

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The Case Stays Open

A United Nations team of experts on chemical warfare issued its report this week on whether chemical warfare is being waged in Southeast Asia and Afghanistan. The document concludes that the group was "unable to reach a final conclusion."

A few weeks ago the United States announced that after five years of trying, it had procured firm physical evidence that 1) identified the agents allegedly being used as biological toxins produced by an obscure fungus, and 2) proved that the mycotoxins are being used as a weapon and are not the result of a natural outbreak. It believes there is strong but not conclusive evidence linking production of the toxins to the Soviet Union.

If the administration is correct, the implications are profound. Use of such a weapon would be a flagrant act of cruelty and also a flagrant violation of both the 1925 Geneva Protocol outlawing chemical weapons and of the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention.

The experts' group, whose inquiry was launched by the UN General Assembly early this year, has had a troubled existence. Its mandate was far too limited to accomplish its goals. The UN official in charge of its activities is a Russian who reportedly was less than helpful in gaining the team's access

to the areas it needed to investigate. So far, the experts have only visited the refugee camps in Thailand. Pakistan has recently granted permission to visit Afghan refugee camps on its borders, but Laos has refused permission and Undersecretary-General Ustinov reportedly refused to deliver the request to the ruling regime in Cambodia, which the Kremlin does not recognize.

The team did apparently hear stories from Laotian and Cambodian refugees similar to those documented by the United States. However, it arrived too long after the alleged attacks to find supporting medical evidence. It obtained vaguely identified physical samples, which are being analyzed, but it notes that, whatever the results of these tests, they will prove nothing, since the group cannot prove where the samples came from.

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Trading With Japan

Premier Zenko Suzuki of Japan has reorganized his Cabinet, apparently in the hope of reducing the friction with the United States over trade. Mr. Suzuki is only the latest in a long succession of Japanese politicians and diplomats to try to decide how seriously to take the perennial American complaints about a trade imbalance that is now very large and getting larger.

Americans themselves give two very different answers. U.S. bankers and economists tend to reply that the trade deficit with Japan is not in itself terribly significant. A lot of the world's trade is triangular, and it is the total trade balance with all countries together that counts. For the past couple of years, the total U.S. trade deficit has been offset by the massive earnings of American foreign investments, creating a satisfactory balance.

But American manufacturers, and American congressmen, usually take exactly the opposite view. Their companies and their constituents are under fierce competitive pressure from Japanese products. It simply isn't fair, they argue, to allow Japan almost unlimited access to the huge American market when American goods have such difficult and conditional access to Japan's.

The question of competition is worth pursuing. Even if both Japan and the United States were totally open to each others' goods, Japan would continue to run a substantial trade surplus. Japan must import all

its oil, for example, and must earn the dollars to pay that bill. But the Japanese market is not totally open. By no means all of the barriers to imports are imposed by government policy. Sometimes it's a matter of deliberate dilatory resistance by Japanese officials at low levels. Sometimes it's the idiosyncrasies of the Japanese distribution system. Sometimes the American product is simply not well adapted to the Japanese consumer. It is open to question, for example, whether the American automobile companies could ever sell many of their cars in Japan. But there is no doubt at all about the difficulties of clearing a foreign car for sale in Japan.

An even more sensitive issue arises when the Japanese government appears to be organizing an industrial monopoly to compete abroad. Within the Reagan administration there is rising concern about the Japanese government's success in promoting the industry that makes integrated circuits — the silicon chips that are the nervous system of a computer — and ships them to America.

Mr. Suzuki and his new Cabinet would probably be correct in concluding that U.S. policy is not terribly sensitive to trade imbalances, even when they are large. But it is quite sensitive to trade practices that are, in the American tradition, unfair — and there, Japan is risking American reactions that can be dangerous to both economies.

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Dec. 3: From Our Pages of 75 and 50 Years Ago

1906: Roosevelt on Japanese

WASHINGTON — It is generally believed here that President Roosevelt will make a strong recommendation to placate Japan in his coming Message to Congress. This expectation is emphasized by the emphatic position taken by the president in rebuking Mr. Hayes, Representative from California, who is strongly anti-Japanese and has pending a bill which would exclude the Japanese almost as rigidly as the Chinese are excluded under the existing law. Mr. Hayes has in his possession a joint resolution requesting the president to make a new treaty in which Japan would be required to recognize the right of the United States to deal with the question of immigration of the Japanese as it deems fit.

1931: Prehistoric Elephant

NAIROBI — Proof has been found that prehistoric man lived in East Africa long before the first age, according to leaders of the East African Archaeological expedition, who claim to have made discoveries of the greatest scientific importance at the Olduvai Beds in Tanganyika, chief of these discoveries being an excellent preserved skeleton of a dinotherium. It was in that region that Dr. Hans Reck, eminent German professor and archaeologist, discovered in 1913 a human skeleton belonging to an early age. The dinotherium was a mammal that science has generally regarded as being a prehistoric cousin of the elephant. The beast's bones were found in the same archaeological "horizon" as Dr. Reck's man.



Economic Message From Britain

By David S. Broder

WASHINGTON — The victory of Shirley Williams in the Crosby by-election, outside Liverpool, last week made her the first person claiming membership in Britain's new Social Democratic Party to win a seat in Parliament. In trouncing the Conservative and Labor candidates in what had been historically a Tory stronghold, she became the 24th SDP member of Parliament, the others all having switched from the Labor or Conservative benches.

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"Tight control of the money supply in an imperfect economy," Mrs. Williams writes, "hits investment and employment harder and sooner than it hits inflation. When interest rates increase, firms put off new investment; firms unable to finance working capital go to the wall; moreover, higher costs are often passed on in the form of higher prices..."

"Tight money," she says, "similarly hits jobs long before it hits wages. Organized labor is often strong enough to resist and delay any attempt to drive real wages down."

This may be less true in the United States than in Britain, she concedes, because of the relative weakness of American unions. But in either country, "real wages will only fall when unemployment has gone so high that it has seriously undermined the unions' bargaining power."

That analysis has been borne out by events in Britain since the Thatcher government came to power. Last week, The Economist proclaimed that the Thatcher recession had ended, because the gross national product rose by one-quarter of 1 percent in the July-September quarter.

So it was not just academic curiosity that set me last weekend to reading "Politics Is For People," the book Harvard University Press published last August as a much-expanded version of the Godkin lectures Mrs. Williams delivered in Cambridge, Mass., in 1980. Nor are her thoughts pertinent only to an understanding of what is happening today in British politics. Much of what she has to say applies to our own situation in the spring of 1979.

There are enough differences between the Reagan and Thatcher programs and between the American and British economies to make anyone cautious about predicting a similarly bleak picture in the United States when the Reagan economy arrives at its third birthday.

But there are also enough similarities to make Mrs. Williams' book a cautionary tale for our own conservatives and a stimulating treatise for those Democrats struggling in dealing with the private sector. However, glib free-market advocates should remember that Giscard d'Estaing and Mrs. Thatcher took their advice, and Ronald Reagan... may profit by their example.

On one point, too often overlooked, French policy is wiser than American, particularly for the long run. Concern for the size of the U.S. budget has taken the form of deep cuts in almost every program that potentially contributes to economic performance, while largely sparing the military and income-security categories which are much larger yet economically sterile. Crippling reductions in everything from technical education (IHT Nov. 4) to transportation are yielding inadequate fiscal savings; meanwhile, an avalanche of propaganda has blocked serious consideration of the consequences. The Democratic opposition has not been willing to accept the criticism on the politically visible, yet relatively minor, cuts in transfers.

MARK R. FINKELSTEIN.
Paris.

Curious Match

Your Nov. 20 article on men's fashion expert Alan Flusser states that he wears "Brooks Brothers button-down shirts"; the accompanying photograph depicts a man with a narrow-gauge spread collar. It's asserted that Mr. Flusser "never, but never, goes without a yellow flower in his buttonhole." The flower, sprouting from Mr. Flusser's buttonhole is of a shade darker than that of his tastefully somber-toned suit. Finally, Mr. Flusser states, "I don't recommend decorative jewelry for men," singling out "excess rings" for opprobrium; the photograph shows Mr. Flusser sporting a sapphire ring which could only be considered as "excess."

MARK R. FINKELSTEIN.
Paris.

Unthankful

We hoped that Art Buchwald would have overhauled his long-outdated column on Thanksgiving and what it means to the French. Let's face it, who under 50 can remember when Plymouth was a "famous American automobile"? And the French now eat as lamentably as Americans all year.

B. ZELONKA.
Paris.

The Gold Standard: Back to Wampum?

By Hobart Rowen

WASHINGON — In a troubled world, it is something of a joke that grown-ups who could be occupied otherwise are seriously discussing going back to a gold standard to regulate the creation and value of money. Perhaps, as economist Herbert Stein bitterly suggested, we should consider going back even further — "to wampum."

The idea is denounced as ridiculous not only by conservatives like Stein, who thinks there are better ways of controlling the money supply, but by liberals, Keynesians, and central bankers who view the gold standard as a straitjacket which has never performed the anti-inflation miracles claimed by its true believers.

But gold is getting new and serious attention from a Gold Commission appointed by Congress, which by next spring is to make recommendations "concerning the role of gold in our domestic and international monetary systems."

Although an overwhelming majority of the commission appears to be against a gold standard, the idea is not being brushed aside. For example, Federal Reserve Board Governor Henry Wallace, one of the members opposing a gold standard, warned in a speech in Paris recently against "the simple arrogance of saying that the gold standard is ridiculous and not worth talking about."

Assumption

Wallace's point is that a negative view of the gold standard "must be based on the assumption that, in the future, we can handle our affairs better than we have in the past. That's fair enough."

The gold standard would not be getting the attention it is getting, and there never would have been a Gold Commission, if the world's politicians and finance ministers had not exhibited such thoroughly inability to manage their countries' monetary or fiscal affairs, or to promote economic growth.

So along come the gold bugs, who say that the only way to prevent the value of paper dollars from eroding is to control the supply of money by tying its growth to the growth in the official gold stock. A "correct" price for gold would be established (itself quite a trick). The United States would then obligate itself to buy and sell gold freely at that official price.

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Most refreshing of all, she brings a humane intelligence to these topics that makes it easy to see why she is such a popular candidate in the hustings.

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No Easy Way for Russia in Africa

By Jonathan Power

LONDON — The Libyans have been successfully pried out of Chad. The peacekeeping force of the Organization of African Unity is now arriving to take their place. But what about all these Russians, Cubans and East Germans still operating in the rest of Africa? How permanently entrenched are they? Can they be pushed out as neatly as the Libyans appear to have been in Chad?

In answering such questions it is important to bear in mind that although the Soviets and their allies are interested in Africa, it has never been a priority target for Soviet foreign policy. Military support there has been in large part for revolutionary causes — for the MPLA in Angola, the Mengistu government in Ethiopia, SWAPO in Namibia or Joshua Nkomo's ZAPU at the time of the Rhodesian struggle.

But the Soviet Union has given short shrift to long-term support of African countries in terms of aid and economic help.

Failed in Madagascar

Indeed, it could be argued that Soviet policy in Africa today is much less ambitious than in czarist times. Czar Alexander III played an active role in trying to outwit the British in Africa. Russia tried repeatedly to obtain a protectorate in the Danakil region (now Eritrea). A Russian presence in the Red Sea was intended to frustrate the British ambition to control a swath of imperial territory from the Cape of Good Hope to Cairo.

Russia tried, but failed, to establish a colony in Madagascar and to secure a protectorate over Ethiopia. The records indicate that Czar Alexander and his successor, Nicholas II, were almost obsessively interested in the fate of Africa.

Today, however, conversations with senior Soviet figures usually suggest not only a great degree of ignorance of the affairs of the African continent but a lack of interest in anything but the reflex response

of supplying arms to factions of countries that appear "revolutionary."

So burdensome are Soviet commitments to Eastern Europe, Cuba and Vietnam that it has rarely been possible for the Soviet Union to offer the help that Africa values most over the long term — economic aid.

In sub-Saharan Africa, Soviet military aid, estimated as \$500 million in 1979, dwarfs its economic aid, a mere \$21 million. Total Soviet economic aid in the 25 years to 1959 was less than \$500 million. Western aid, by comparison, was more than \$12 billion in just the three years 1977, 1978 and 1979. Even Moscow's friends do poorly. The only Soviet credit to Mozambique since independence was a loan in 1976 worth \$13 million.

Soviet trade arrangements, usually concluded on a barter basis, have often alienated rather than won the countries involved. For example, Guinean repayments on Soviet loans for the development of the Kindia bauxite mines are believed to have exceeded what Guinea earns from the bauxite it had to supply to the Soviet Union. This is because the Soviets fixed the prices at below world market levels.

It is also important to be aware that the policies of the Soviet Union, their East European and Cuban allies, although broadly in tandem, do diverge at certain critical points.

Attempted Coup

Most revealing are the tensions that have grown up on occasion between the Soviets and the Cubans over African policy. The evidence is still unclear, but there is good reason to think that while the Soviets had prior knowledge of the attempted coup against Angolan President Agostinho Neto in 1977, they did not attempt to warn Neto about it. It was left to the Cuban troops to put the coup down and save Neto.

Indeed, there is no good reason why the West should not close off the few holes through which Soviet influence can still crawl. The subtle way the French government has worked with the OAU to dislodge the Libyans in Chad is worth emulating.

The French, by insisting on playing the charter of the OAU by the book, have shown how it should be done. If the United States had followed the same rules at the time of the Ethiopia-Somalia clash or with the Angola-South Africa dispute, the Russians and Cubans might not have the few footholds they have.

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The Delta Rhythm Boys (Lee Gaines at right) are currently appearing in Stockholm.

Delta Rhythm Boys: Harmonizing From 'Amos 'n' Andy' to Finland

By Michael Zwerin

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PARIS — Back in the primitive days of radio, Kingfish used to sell insurance to Andy: "The minute your foot slips up there on that window and you start falling, they pay you right away. Don't even wait till you hit the ground."

Then Amos would add: "You're making money all the way down. All you got to do is look up and enjoy those."

Segue to this big bass voice singing: "Blue skies, smilin' at me, Nothin' but blue skies, do I see?"

That was Lee Gaines, then joined by the other three Delta Rhythm Boys, and if you're too young to remember Amos 'n' Andy you can still enjoy the Deltas, who are alive and harmonizing in Europe.

Gaines' voice was once described as "having no bottom." He is the only remaining member of the original quartet formed at Langston University in Oklahoma in 1933. With the Mills Brothers, the Golden Gate Quartet, the Ink Spots and the Charlatans, the Deltas Rhythm Boys rode a vocal quartet in the 30s and 40s.

The Deltas' big hits were the spiritual "Dry Bones" ("the knee bone connected to the thigh bone"), and vocal versions of Duke Ellington instrumental like "Take the 'A' Train" and "Just Squeeze Me," both with lyrics by Gaines. His bass voice singing the melody was the group's trademark.

The usual reaction in the United States today to the group's name is "What? Are THEY still around?" Which is understandable when you consider that they spend about five months a year on such circuits such as a six-week tour of Finland.

The Deltas first came to Europe in 1949 and have been based on the Continent since 1959. They toured with Jacques Brel several times. They were pulled increasingly back to Scandinavia, having recorded Finnish folk songs in Finnish and swinging versions of Swedish folk songs. Tenors Walter Thannell and Ray Beatty live in Sweden, baritone Hugh Bryant in Finland, and Gaines has an apartment in Paris.

More Than the Allotted Space

The adjective that comes to mind for Gaines is "dignified." It is not only physical size that accounts for him filling up more than his allotted space in a crowded cafe as he tells the Deltas' history.

"I was born in Tupelo, Miss.," where Elvis Presley was born a generation later, "Richard Pryor was a routine where he says that Tupelo is right next to Oneonta, which sort of describes the town. I played the sousaphone and bass violin and got a scholarship to Langston University, where I sang in the freshman-class vocal quartet and we won first prize."

"Dr. Horace Mann Bond, father of Julian Bond, the politician, helped us get admitted to Dillard University in New Orleans, where he was dead. Dillard had a wonderful music department under the direction of Dr. Frederick Hall."

"First we waxed floors, unpacked furniture and

baby-sat to pay our tuition. We began to give concerts at Alabama State, Tuskegee, Tennessee State and Wilberforce University. Our program would consist of African, slave and emancipation songs and we'd finish with "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Finally Dr. Bond decided to wipe out our tuition debts and give us a scholarship which was fortunate because we didn't have the money to pay it anyway."

The fledgling Deltas, then called "The Black Hall Quartet," were invited for a three-month tour of South America (they were held over for eight more) during the summer vacation of 1936. One reviewer said they were "even better than the Mills Brothers" because they could sing their complicated harmony and rhythm a cappella.

They quit school and went to New York where "Dry Bones," which they sang in seven keys moving up and then down a half-step at a time ("the producers liked that," Gaines said) landed them radio guest shots. They lived in Harlem on "Strivers' Row" next door to composer-songwriter Eubie Blake, who set up auditions. They sang the song "Franklin D. Roosevelt Jones" in the Broadway revue "Sing Out The News."

In the Movies

In Hollywood they began to appear in movies. They backed Ella Fitzgerald and Lena Horne recording Gaines' lyrics to Ellington's "Just Squeeze Me."

"We were under contract to Universal Pictures in 1942," Gaines said, "and they wanted us to play porters on this train going through the South. We asked them why we had to be porters and they said, well, all the porters are black. We said there are black lawyers and doctors too. They said we had a point but this picture had a train going through the South in it and they needed a song, so we should think about it and if we had another idea let them know."

"We were getting a lot of good fan mail from black GIs saying whenever we see you guys in a movie we're not ashamed because we know you're always going to be sharp, so we came to the conclusion, if it's got to be on the railroad, why can't we be GIs on leave. Then we strike up a song at the station. The producers said 'Great idea,' so we didn't play porters."

Like many other Afro-American musicians, the Deltas came to Europe after the war at least partly because nobody asked them to carry their bags. They stayed when they found that Europeans appreciate their culture more than Americans.

Gaines and the other Deltas have survived two generations of fickle fashions and changing personnel. Though he looks like he retired from professional football after a decade ago and could still throw an aggressive block, he gives his age as "between 60 and 70." Ask what's his secret and you get a smile:

"Delta Rhythm Boys, Grand Hotel, Stockholm, through Dec. 9; Hotel Ruhl, Nice, Dec. 15-Feb. 15."

A Reshuffled Cabinet Takes Office in Spain

By James M. Markham

New York Times Service

MADRID — A newly reshuffled cabinet led by Premier Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, who has been struggling to keep his riven center-right party intact, took its oath of office Wednesday before King Juan Carlos I.

Aside from the selection of a woman to hold a Cabinet job — for the first time since 1937 — the new government contains few novelties or surprises, and its composition appears dictated almost entirely by Mr. Calvo Sotelo's need to appease factions in his party, the Union of the Democratic Center.

The premier, according to well-placed political informants, had initially explored the idea of bringing prestigious outsiders into the government to strengthen it amid problems with the military and decisions in the Cortes (parliament). But concern over party unity forced him to take precedence in his choice.

"This is not a government to respond to the problems of Spain," declared Felipe González, leader of the opposition Socialist Party, "but instead one that responds to the problems of the Union of the Democratic Center." Mr. González, whose party has muffed its criticisms of the premier because of military unrest, offered to form a broad coalition government that would shore up the foundations of Spain's young democracy.

More Hope

"I have more hope than concern," Mr. González said at a news conference. "The overwhelming majority of Spanish society is betting on living together in peace and liberty. Only a minority is against. But we need a government capable of giving hope."

The Reagan administration is still wrestling with its problem, but the government of President François Mitterrand has just put in force a package of measures designed to bring the French social security program back into surplus — foreign affairs, interior, justice — did not change hands; and, contrary to some expectations, Alberto Olárt, a civilian, remained as defense minister.

Though both King Juan Carlos and Mr. Calvo Sotelo play important roles in shaping defense policies, Mr. Olárt has been criticized for asserting little apparent control over the armed forces since the unsuccessful military coup last February.

A spreading sense that the government does not have the military in hand was accompanied last Sunday when an army captain in the northwestern city of La Coruña ordered military policemen to attack a leftist demonstration against the



Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo

lose his job for seeming incompetence was Health Minister Jesús Sánchez Rofo, who was implicitly blamed for a scandal over adulterated cooking oil that took 210 lives. But Economics Minister Juan Antonio García Díez, whose departments were also touched by the cooking oil scandal, was elevated to deputy premier.

The only Cabinet member to

through 1982 is just under 36 billion francs, or about \$6.43 billion. Of that, 10.15 billion francs will occur this year and 25.8 billion in

spite of its expansion in recent years, is still fundamentally a retirement and survivor benefits program.

In France, in addition to retirement and survivor benefits, the social security system provides complete health care and a generous system of family allowances.

France's obligatory social security expenditures, 451 billion francs in 1979, were up 14.4 percent to 516 billion francs last year. They are expected to go up another 14.3 percent this year to 581 billion francs. From 1960 to 1978, according to French government statistics, social security expenditures grew twice as fast as the gross national product. According to government figures, 40 percent of the people who are economically active now support 60 percent who are inactive, including a steadily growing proportion of elderly.

The two largest unions, the Communist-controlled Confédération Générale des Travailleurs (CGT) and the Socialist-controlled Confédération Française des Travailleurs (CFDT), said the 1-percent increase in employee pay would reduce the purchasing power of workers at a time of severe inflation.

There are several parallels between France's social security problems and those to the United States. But there is also a fundamental difference. The U.S. social security system,

London Stage: 'Royal Highness?' Is a Royal Dud

By Sheridan Morley
International Herald Tribune

LONDON — Once in a while, a play comes along which is so stunningly, mind-bendingly terrible that it transcends the normal laws of criticism. One such is now to be found at the Palace Theatre. It's called "Her Royal Highness?" and it's written by the director, Ray Cooney, along with Royce Ryton, who is to the English theater roughly what ex-royal name Crawfie once was to English journalism, which is to say he writes truly awful things about royalty.

Billed as "a comedy," "Her Royal Highness?" is set across the first six months of this year, leading up to the royal wedding, and its central notion is that during those lengthy preparations Lady Di gets cold feet and runs home to mother to have a bit of a think about the whole affair, while an Australian lookalike (played of course by the same actress) is flown in to impersonate the future Princess of Wales at various public events.

Help From Pygmalion?

This allows Ryton and Cooney to borrow virtually an entire act of "Pygmalion" and restage it as palace officials try to teach the model to walk and speak like a lady, but the rest of the play appears to have been not so much lifted from Shaw as put together from old gossip-column headlines. Set on a bare stage occupied only by a flight of stairs apparently left over from some prehistoric Miss World competition, the play gives you the impression that you've been locked up amid the royal warworks at Madame Tussaud's for 2½ hours, only without so many laughs.

In a cast of more than 20, all of whom commendably get through the evening without tearing up their Equity cards, actresses play

the queen and the queen mother and Mrs. Thatcher all looking more like Danny La Rue in drag. The audience is given free flags to wave, though I rather wish they'd also given out earplugs for lines like "You're taking on an awful responsibility Diana — look at Lord Snowdon, he never got used to it."

But the really alarming thing about "Her Royal Highness?" is that it is, I suspect, going to make a great deal of money. A hefty advertising campaign, coupled with the brilliant choice of the Palace Theatre, makes it look like a winner. All the finale lacks is the massed bands of the Grenadier Guards.

The script is of such breathtaking inadequacy that when nothing much is happening on stage (as often it isn't) the cast feels obliged to turn to the audience with little homilies on the future of the monarchy. It is not that the play is offensive to royalty, but that it is offensive to paying customers who expect more for their £5 than dialogue apparently copied off the inside of a cracked coronation souvenir mug.

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To the Aldwych from last year's Stratford season has come the Alan Howard "Richard III" in a somewhat subdued version of Terence Rattigan's original production, though clearly still intended as a companion piece to the current Howard-Howard "Richard II" also in the Royal Shakespeare's London repertoire. The plays stand as twin pillars at either end of the history cycle, and "Richard III" ends the way "Richard II" begins, with a new king bathed in a kind of holy light.

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Meanwhile the RSC at Stratford is closing its season at The Other Place with a rare revival of "Merry," Bulwer-Lytton's 1840 Victorian satire, in a rousing production by Bill Alexander. As a comedy of fortune-hunting and a morality play about the corrupting influence of money and as a latter-day "Timon," it holds up admirably, thanks to a cast of whom manage to live happily on the borderline of old Punch cartoons.



Marc Sinden and Eva Lohman as the royal couple (and trio).

Sadler's Wells Stages 'Different' 'Swan Lake'

By Noel Goodwin

International Herald Tribune

MANCHESTER — A new production of "Swan Lake" that is traditional yet different has been added to the touring repertory of the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet. The most famous of classic ballets is seldom the same from one production to another, which is one reason it endures, and this time the company's director, Peter Wright, has had the collaboration of the Soviet-born ballerina Galina Sossova, in preserving aspects of the Russian ballet tradition as well as adding new elements.

Sossova came to the West 20 years ago, having begun her career with the Kiev Ballet, where "Swan Lake" was danced in choreography by Alexander Gorsky. Some of his dances have been incorporated here, including a classical sequence in the first act and Hungarian and Spanish character dances later. Wright has created others while keeping intact Ivanov's lake-side dances of the swans.

Wright has also done a great service for the ballet and Tchaikovsky's music by insisting that it is no mere sentimental fairytale but a romantic tragedy of dramatic as well as fantastical character. He encloses it within two images of death — a funeral procession for what we are told is Prince Siegfried's father, visible during

the prelude, and the lifeless body of the prince recovered from the lake at the end. Added point is thereby given to the need for the prince to marry, and his reluctance to do so.

Dramatic Elements Strengthened

But the ballet has acquired stronger elements of drama. Act I becomes a surprise party for the prince put on by his friend Benno during the period of court mourning, hence his mother's anger when she sees them carousing. The famous pas de trois in this act is no longer a formal divertissement but a foursome for the prince, Benno and two girls cast as courtesans. After a traditional lakeside scene in which the evil Rothbart loses his helmet which apparently holds his magic powers, so he cannot restrain Odette from flinging herself into the lake. After the prince has followed her, there is a vision of them united in eternal bliss as Siegfried's drowned body is recovered by Benno.

Sossova herself danced Odette-Odile in the first cast, showing grandeur of style and technique except in Odile's fouettés, which I was surprised she even attempted. David Ashmore was her prince, skillful and assured in movement but needing more conviction in acting.

An enlarged orchestra under Barry Wordsworth offered generally respectable playing.

Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet is performing "Swan Lake" at Birmingham Hippodrome Dec. 3-5, and at the Monte Carlo opera Dec. 21-Jan. 2.

Italy's Christian Democrats Urge Party Rejuvenation, 'New Morality'

By Henry Tanner

New York Times Service

The party leaders, on the contrary, made it clear that they intend to maintain control of the party and that there will be no shakeup of the leadership.

But many of the species reflected an unprecedented disenchantment by members and sympathizers. There is fear that the party, having lost the premiership, is caught in an irreversible decline and will eventually lose its predominant position altogether.

According to a recent opinion poll, only one in nine Italians wants a Christian Democrat to lead the government again. The poll was taken by the news magazine L'Europe five months after Premier Giovanni Spadolini, head of the small Republican Party, took office. The Socialist leader, Bettino Craxi, also wants to become premier, and his party has been gaining ground, as several speakers in the Christian Democratic assembly pointed out.

To reach the big heavily guarded conference hall in suburban EUR, the delegates had to walk through angry pickets who proclaimed through bullhorns and leaflets that they were members of a building cooperative headed by a former Christian Democratic minister and had poured their life savings into the venture but that no houses had been built.

One delegate, Giuseppe Costamagna, a member of parliament from the Turin region, from the rostrum upbraided the party leaders next to him for having failed to show any interest in the protest outside and for refusing to launch an investigation that could lead to court action against one of their colleagues.

Mr. Costamagna, apart from accusing the party leadership of underhand dealings in exercising power in the country, also charged that the party elders were clinging to their seats long beyond their time. He asked Amintore Fanfani, the most senior of the party's elder statesmen: "Do you intend to rot down or not? Will you make rotation [in the leadership] possible or not?" He did not cite Mr. Fanfani.

Andrew Corry, 77, Ex-Emissary, Is Dead

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — Andrew Vincent Corry, 77, a mineralogist and career Foreign Service officer who was U.S. ambassador to Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka and the Maldives Islands in the 1960s, died on Nov. 24 at a hospital in San Diego.

Mr. Corry was ambassador to Sierra Leone from 1964 to 1967. He then served as U.S. ambassador to Sri Lanka and the Maldives, an island group in the Indian Ocean, before retiring about 1969.

He joined the State Department in 1947 and became minerals attaché to New Delhi later that year. He was consul general in Pakistan, a consultant to U.S. agencies in South America and coordinator of senior Foreign Service policy at the State Department's Foreign Service Institute before being appointed an ambassador.

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A Day of Infamy's Too-Unforgettable Lessons

Are the Actions That Saved a Nation After '41 Still Valid in '81?

By Arthur Schlesinger Jr.

NEW YORK — The bombs that blasted Pearl Harbor on that unforgettable Sunday 40 years ago permanently changed the American republic. For the disaster of Dec. 7, 1941, left Americans with more than simply an urge to zap the Jap. We were determined to win the war, of course, but beyond that we were determined to make sure that the United States would never again be vulnerable to devastating surprise attack. As the traumatic experience of the Great Depression led to the resolution to make the economy depression-proof, so the traumatic experience of Pearl Harbor led to the resolution to make the nation war-proof.

And, as making the economy depression-proof required fundamental transformations in traditional values and procedures, so the effort to make the nation war-proof brought in its wake basic changes in American life. A laissez-faire domestic policy had manifestly failed to protect the American people against the ravages of unemployment, so the Depression meant, among many other things, the end of laissez-faire. An isolationist foreign policy had manifestly failed to protect the American people against the perils of war, so Pearl Harbor meant, among many other things, the end of isolationism.

The essence of isolationism was not total American abstinence from world affairs. We were neither isolationists nor a nation in matters of trade or finance or culture or travel or humanitarian concern. Isolationism meant essentially unilateral diplomatic action — that is, going it alone, pursuing an independent course in world affairs, without allies or systems of wider international security. It meant specifically, in Jefferson's words, no entangling alliances.

For some time before Pearl Harbor, Franklin D. Roosevelt had warned the nation that isolationism could no longer guarantee national safety in a world threatened by aggressive dictatorship. In October, 1937, four years before the Japanese planes swarmed out of the sky, he had said, "Without a declaration of war and without warning or justification ... civilians, including vast numbers of women and children, are

being ruthlessly murdered with bombs from the air. If those things come to pass in other parts of the world, let no one imagine that America will escape, that America may expect mercy."

America did not escape. America was not granted mercy. The generation that fought the bitter war read the lesson with great clarity. Lt. John F. Kennedy, a war hero, watched the founding of the United Nations at San Francisco in 1945. "It was a beginning, he felt, but not enough. "You have seen battlefield where sacrifice was the order of the day," he wrote a PT-boat comrade, "and to compare that sacrifice to the timidity and selfishness of the nations gathered at San Francisco must inevitably be disillusioning."

Still, even if nations were not prepared to yield sovereignty in the interest of peace, they had at least formed a world organization dedicated to peace, and the United States was in it. In 1949 the United States ratified the North Atlantic Treaty and entered the NATO alliance. This was only the start. Entangling alliances, so long rejected, soon became standard operating procedure. John Foster Dulles, critics used to say in the 1950s, suffered from a bad case of pachomania. The republic has never quite thrown off the infection.

The First Lesson

The failure of unilateral action to protect the country was the first lesson drawn from Pearl Harbor. A second lesson was the failure of the American intelligence system. The Japanese had achieved total surprise, and the project of making the country war-proof therefore required a new approach to intelligence. The United States had not before taken intelligence all that seriously.

In wartime, the government had improvised a system of agents and operatives; in peacetime it had relied on reports from diplomats and military and naval attachés. The Hoover administration had even disbanded the State Department's code-breaking section, the secretary of state famously remarking that gentlemen did not read each other's mail.

President Roosevelt had begun well before Pearl Harbor to improve American intelli-

gence resources. He was troubled by the activities of Nazi and Soviet agents in the United States, and in the mid-1930s he instructed J. Edgar Hoover to develop the counterespionage capability of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In June, 1939, two months before war broke out in Europe, he directed the FBI, the Military Intelligence Division of the Army (G-2) and the Office of Naval Intelligence to coordinate their activities. In 1940 he authorized wiretapping as a weapon against spies and saboteurs.

Watching Football

When the three intelligence agencies kept on squabbling, Roosevelt appointed Col. William J. Donovan as a new "Coordinator of Information" in the summer of 1941. Pearl Harbor found Col. Donovan watching a football game in New York at the Polo Grounds. He rushed back to Washington, and late that night FDR said to him, referring to the intelligence problem, "It's a good thing that you got me started on this."

Once started, the intelligence community was hard to stop. COI became the Office of Strategic Services; OSS, after an interlude, was reborn in the Central Intelligence Agency. J. Edgar Hoover and the FBI went on after the war to become sacrosanct national icons beyond secular criticism. A new system of government secrecy arose, concealing official decisions and actions from public and even congressional knowledge. Wiretaps, bugging and even breaking and entering became routine intelligence weapons. For a moment after Vietnam and Watergate, Congress experienced a revulsion against the abuses of secrecy and of intelligence operations. That mood did not endure.

Dream Come True

A third lesson drawn from Pearl Harbor was the need to unify the armed forces. An investigating commission headed by Owen J. Roberts of the Supreme Court concluded that the Army and Navy commanders in Hawaii had not cooperated adequately in response to warnings from Washington. This failure on the scene pointed to the larger institutional failure of coordination at the top. The Pearl Harbor hearings persuaded Harry S. Truman that "the tragedy was as much the

result of the inadequate military system which provided for no unified command, either in the field or in Washington, as it was any personal failure of Army or Navy commanders."

In 1947 President Truman secured the passage of the National Security Act, establishing a single Department of Defense, a National Security Council and a Central Intelligence Agency. Instead of a secretary of war and secretary of the Navy, a chief of staff and a chief of naval operations, checking and balancing each other, the United States had at last the unified military establishment of everyone's dreams.

"When the gods wish to punish us," said Oscar Wilde, "they answer our prayers." The great projects of the Roosevelt years were to make the nation depression-proof and war-proof. Both projects had ironic consequences.

The pre-New Deal economy had a propensity toward depression. The New Deal tried to counter this by equipping the economy with a set of built-in stabilizers designed to protect individuals from unemployment, business from bankruptcy and society from the wanton hazards and cruelties of the unregulated economy. We thereby set up a system that, among other things, made it hard for prices to fall and easy for prices to rise. Ending the old bias in the economy toward depression, we replaced it by a new and almost as damaging bias toward inflation.

Addiction to Alliances

Similarly, in foreign policy the national determination to make the republic war-proof had unforeseen results. The unification of the armed forces gave us the Pentagon and the military-industrial complex and promoted the militarization of American thought and life. Our defense budget these days rises to unprecedented heights, while spending to help our poor and needy is sharply cut. Even the State Department, the press headquarters of diplomacy, is today headed by a general and concentrates more on military than on political remedies.

In the same way, the rejection of isolation has encouraged the addiction to entangling alliances that has carelessly scattered U.S. troops, bases and military commitments



The Arizona was among the ships lost by the United States at Pearl Harbor.

around the planet. Just recently, a U.S. president, without sanction of a treaty or reference to Congress, casually committed the United States to the defense of a feudal regime in Saudi Arabia.

And the creation of an intelligence community has released covert and sinister forces in American life. Moreover, despite Vietnam and Watergate, the mood in Washington today is to turn the CIA and FBI loose, rogue elephants once again, and to withdraw as much of government as possible behind the curtain of secrecy.

This is not to say that the projects of 40 years ago were mistakes. We were right to seek a war-proof and depression-proof nation. No one wishes to return America to a condition of military vulnerability, nor to the miserable old economic cycle of boom-and-bust. The republic requires security against war through alliances, intelligence agencies and a national military establishment, as it requires security against depression through built-in stabilizers. But let's not get carried away.

One doubts whether Franklin Roosevelt himself would have taken the Pearl Harbor legacy quite so far. He had too acute a geopolitical sense to favor the spread of American commitments beyond our zones of direct national interest. He had too acute a sense of the general welfare to permit the sacrifice of

the poor and powerless so that defense contractors could grow rich.

And he had too acute a sense of the Constitution — yes, even FDR — to believe, as too many of his successors have believed, that the president has inherent constitutional power to take the country into war on his own. When the prime minister of the French republic pleaded for U.S. aid during the fall of France in the spring of 1940, Roosevelt, while promising that supplies would continue so long as the French continued resistance, added carefully, "I know that you will understand that these statements carry with them no implication of military commitments. Only the Congress can make such commitments." One would wish that President Reagan might say as much to the Saudi Arabinians.

Maybe we have applied the lessons of Pearl Harbor too indiscriminately and absolutely. *Nihil nimis*, the old Romans used to say: nothing in excess; in all things moderation. "There are two tragedies in life," Shaw wrote in "Man and Superman." "One is to lose your heart's desire. The other is to gain it."

Arthur Schlesinger Jr., a historian and former aide to President John F. Kennedy, wrote this article for Newsday.

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Mystery of Soviet Anthrax Epidemic Could Hinder Future Arms Control Talks

"The events at Sverdlovsk have all the elements of an international spy novel," writes Leslie Gell, national security correspondent of The New York Times. What really happened two years ago inside Compound 19, deep in the Soviet Union's Ural Mountains? What caused the epidemic of deadly anthrax? Was it an unfortunate but internationally insignificant case of tainted meat, as the Russians claim? Or was the outbreak caused initially by an explosion of virulent spores during the secret development of biological weapons, as the CIA believes? In an excerpt from The New York Times Magazine, Mr. Gell presents the evidence on all sides, noting that the incident may pose grave implications for future arms-control agreements for future arms-control agreements.

By Leslie Gell

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Dozens of times each year, the U.S. satellite passed overhead, its lenses capturing great swaths of the Ural Mountains on film. Dozens of times over the years, the U.S. intelligence experts who studied these films focused their attention on the city of Sverdlovsk and, in particular, on a closely guarded building within Military Compound 19 on the city's southern rim. Certain physical details of the structure led the experts to suspect that it was a factory for the production of biological weapons — a violation of the biological-weapons convention signed by the Soviet Union, the United States and more than 100 other nations in 1972.

On or about April 2, 1979, an epidemic of deadly anthrax struck Sverdlovsk. Rumors about the event began appearing in the foreign press, connecting the epidemic to an accident at the building in Compound 19. But it was almost a year before the United States realized that something politically significant had happened. Today, in spite of the uproar and all-out investigative efforts, the facts remain unclear.

It is the same with so many arms-control agreements: a suspicious event, accusations,

Soviet silence, uncertainty — charges of treaty violation that can be neither proved nor disproved. They hang like a poison cloud over U.S.-Soviet relations and over any prospects for arms control.

The events at Sverdlovsk have all the elements of an international spy novel, including secret intelligence operations, bureaucratic fumbling, a crushing piece of evidence along the lines of the dog who didn't bark (à la Sherlock Holmes) and a surprise witness.

Rep. Les Aspin, Democrat of Wisconsin and former head of the House Subcommittee on Intelligence Oversight, is a longtime supporter of weapons-control agreements with Moscow. He warns: "The future of arms control hangs in the balance until we get a full, accurate account of what happened in Sverdlovsk."

Sverdlovsk, with a population of 1.2 million, fills a valley 850 miles (1,360 kilometers) east of Moscow. The building in the military compound there had attracted the attention of the U.S. intelligence community because of certain characteristics that showed up on satellite photographs: the venting system and animal pens, the smokestacks, the refrigeration facilities and nearby reverberations that might hold artillery shells. The security arrangements were very tight, with sentries guarding the few paths leading through double barbed-wire fences. It had all the earmarks of a germ warfare factory.

Yet, some American observers had their doubts. Would the Russians actually put a biological-warfare facility in so highly populated an area? And would they still be bothering with germ warfare? The United States gave up its biological-weapons program unilaterally in the early 1970s. (Most experts today see the weapons as militarily useless. Germs have virtually never been used on a battlefield because, once released, they fly anywhere the wind blows them, toward friend or enemy.)

The 1972 biological-weapons treaty forbade the development, production and stockpiling of toxic weapons. But even if the building in Sverdlovsk was producing germs, that would not necessarily be a violation of the treaty,

which banned only germ production "of types and in quantities that have no justification for prophylactic, protective or other peaceful purposes." For example, germs could be produced for "activities to be used in the event of a general war."

As far as can be determined, the April, 1979, outbreak of anthrax in Sverdlovsk attracted no immediate attention in the U.S. intelligence community. But that July, when rumors began to circulate, one administration official started collecting information and newspaper clippings. He is said to have mentioned his suspicion to some colleagues, but nothing came of it.

Anthrax is primarily a disease of animals, caused by a bacillus that, under certain conditions, forms tough, virulent spores. The disease in humans takes three basic forms. In 95 percent of known cases, the anthrax bacilli enter the body through the skin through contact with infected animals. This form is seldom fatal. The eating of infected meat can produce the intestinal form of the disease, which is sometimes — though not usually — fatal. By far the deadliest, and the rarest, is pulmonary anthrax, caused by the inhalation of dust from animal skins. When the bacilli enter the respiratory tract, death is rapid. In the short history of biological weaponry, anthrax has been the germ of choice in the United States and elsewhere — largely because of its deadliness and durability.

Another Account

On Oct. 26, 1979, NOW, a London-based magazine, carried this headline: "The Great Russian Germ War Disaster." The article said that an accident at a bacteriological weapons factory had left thousands hospitalized, hundreds dead. Travel to the city was banned. The accident was set in June, however, not April, and the site was identified as the southern outskirts of the city of Novosibirsk.

Other accounts appeared in Possev, a Russian-language paper run by Russian émigrés in Frankfurt, and in other European publications. In its January edition, Possev described

the accident as an explosion. It also reported that the first fatalities were said to have reached hospitals in Sverdlovsk on April 4. All patients died within three hours of arrival; their temperatures were said to exceed 42 Celsius, or 107.6 Fahrenheit.

According to the article, people in the area of the explosion were vaccinated twice. The village of Kashino, southeast of the city line, had been particularly hard hit, and in May, the top layer of soil was paved over to cover the infected area. No cases were noted among animals. Between 30 and 40 persons died each day, the article said, with the death toll estimated at 1,000.

On March 18, 1980, the State Department officially confirmed that there had been "disturbing indications" that "a lethal biological agent" might have struck Sverdlovsk a year before and that this had raised questions "about whether such material was present in quantities consistent with the ban."

Moscow issued angry denials, privately and publicly. The Soviet leadership insisted that the epidemic at Sverdlovsk had been caused by consumption of tainted meat and that the deaths had been the result of intestinal anthrax.

It was almost a year after the incident at Sverdlovsk before the United States finally started a serious investigation. A group was established with representation from the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the National Security Council, the State Department and other agencies. Several outside experts were also called in, including Dr. Philip Brachman of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, the leading American expert on animals; Joshua Lederman, president of Rockefeller University and winner of the Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine; and Paul Doty, a professor of biochemistry at Harvard University. Dr. Matthew Meselson, another Harvard biochemist, served as an independent consultant.

For all the expertise assembled, soon became clear that it would not be easy to determine the truth. The working group's first hypothesis was that there had been a problem at a facility producing anthrax vaccine. The Russians give between 1 million and 2 million anthrax inoculations each year. But the group also had substantial evidence that the Russians used only a virulent strain that could not cause the epidemic that occurred.

The group's second hypothesis was that the outbreak had been produced by a single explosion involving virulent, airborne anthrax spores. Critical to the construction of any such scenario was the testimony of key secondhand witnesses highly regarded by the CIA. In an interview, Dr. Brachman said that the clinical evidence provided by a secondhand witness was "probably consistent only with inhalation anthrax" — very high fever, suddenness of the onset of the disease, trouble breathing, the large number of cases and, in particular, the high mortality rate. The symptoms of intestinal anthrax, he said, were quite different, and that version of the disease is usually not fatal. He did cite one form of it in which lymph nodes are infected and there is trouble with breathing, further complicating the problem of distinguishing between pulmonary and intestinal anthrax.

Placing all responsibility for the outbreak of pulmonary anthrax, however, was no answer. A single, deadly cloud, the group concluded, could have wreaked havoc in the first day or so, but could not have produced a continuing flow of pulmonary anthrax cases over a six-week period.

What could the continuous source of lethal anthrax be? The Russians were claiming that all of the anthrax deaths had been caused by contaminated meat being sold on the black market; but members of the group could find no historical precedent for an outbreak of intestinal anthrax causing so many deaths over a period of several weeks.

As time went by, the group became somewhat uncertain about diagnostic distinctions between intestinal and pulmonary anthrax. Thus the members came to concentrate more and more on one fact: the unprecedented number of people who had been struck down in that brief time.

The judgment of the working group — the explanation the CIA still sticks with — has two chapters. Initially, it holds, there was an explo-

sion at the factory in Sverdlovsk, causing a sudden huge release of virulent spores being used for the development of biological weapons. The quantity released was large enough to cause a number of deaths from pulmonary anthrax. After the explosion and the initial wave of pulmonary anthrax cases, the CIA believes, the long-lived spores settled to the ground, where they were eaten by cattle, and the meat from these infected animals was sold on the black market. Then, theoretically, there was a second wave of anthrax — the intestinal variety — that lasted until the end of the six-week period.

Moscow privately denied that it had imposed a quarantine in the Sverdlovsk area. Yet a satellite photograph of a building in Military Compound 19 one year after the anthrax epidemic showed that the structure had been virtually abandoned. There were no animals in the pens. The snow had not been shoveled. As in the Sherlock Holmes tale, the indirect piece of evidence, the absence of the expected, was damning: The dog had not barked.

Surprise Witness

One of the most surprising developments in the case occurred last February, when another piece of negative evidence, another non-barking dog, cropped up to seem to favor the Soviet view. On a plane ride from Washington to Boston in February, 1981, a Soviet official chatted with Harvard's Dr. Meselson, the consultant to the working group. As Dr. Meselson recalled it, the Russian said to him at one point: "You know, of course, that there were an American and his family living in Sverdlovsk at the time of the incident." In fact, neither Mr. Meselson nor the CIA nor any arm of the U.S. government was apparently aware that the Americans had stayed in the city, which had been effectively closed to foreigners for some years.

It turned out that Donald E. Ellis, a professor of physics and chemistry at Northwestern University, and his wife and their two small children had gone to Sverdlovsk on an exchange program.

Mr. Ellis said in an interview that he had noticed nothing untoward during his stay. "I don't exclude the possibility that something may have occurred," he said. "But I think either I or my wife would have sensed some effort to protect us from it. We moved freely and were not aware of any restrictions on us." In fact, he added, "we passed very close to the place, the facility," where that incident supposedly occurred, "in July on the way to a child's camp."

Dr. Meselson sees the testimony of Mr. Ellis as critically important. "Although not conclusive, this does not readily fit in with the picture of an attempted Soviet cover-up of a biological-warfare accident," he said.

It is clear that, wherever the actual truth lies, neither the working group's hypothesis nor the Soviet version of what happened at Sverdlovsk stands up to all the known facts; both accounts have gaping holes.

Unsolved Mystery

One of the unsolved mysteries of Sverdlovsk was the failure of the Soviet Union to take advantage of a chance to defuse the uproar. The 1972 treaty is filled with loopholes that invite evasion: No limits

BUSINESS NEWS BRIEFS**Volkswagen of America Recalls 450,000 Cars***The Associated Press*

DETROIT — Volkswagen of America said Tuesday it is recalling about 450,000 of its Rabbit and Scirocco models to reduce emissions of nitrogen oxide and hydrocarbons.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency began proceedings last year against the company to force it to correct the emissions problem, which occurred in gasoline engines in the 1977-79 model years. The EPA has agreed to drop its proceedings, a VW spokesman said.

Diamond International Gets \$42-a-Share Offer*Reuters*

NEW YORK — Diamond International Corp. said Wednesday that Générale Occidentale is offering \$42 share in cash and debentures for 60 percent of Diamond it does not already own.

Under the proposal received from Générale Occidentale, Diamond said the holders would receive \$21 in cash and debentures valued at \$21 for each Diamond share. The terms of the debentures were not described, Diamond said. Diamond trades in diamonds, packaging, timber and building materials.

It said the proposal will be considered by those directors of Diamond who are not Générale Occidentale designees and by Diamond's investment bankers. A Générale Occidentale affiliate, Cavenham, now owns about 40 percent of Diamond's common. Générale announced Nov. 7 that it was negotiating to raise its stake in Diamond.

Trading in Wharf and World Shares Suspended*Reuters*

HONG KONG — Trading in shares of Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. and World International (Holdings) was suspended Wednesday at the request of the companies, the Hong Kong Stock Exchange said.

A merger of the two had been proposed last week by Hong Kong financier Sir Yiu-Kong Pao, but he dropped the proposal following protests from minority Wharf shareholders. The companies said Wednesday that the merger proposals have now officially been withdrawn.

Thomson-CSF Signs Recorder Pact With Bosch*Reuters*

PARIS — The French electronics firm Thomson-CSF said Wednesday it had signed an agreement with Robert Bosch Corp. of West Germany for the joint design and development of professional video recorders.

The recorders are to be produced by each company and marketed beginning late next year.

Ailing Exxon Office Unit Cuts Work Force

By Andrew Pollack
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Exxon Office Systems Co. has laid off about a fifth of its work force and closed a manufacturing plant as part of what it called an effort to streamline operations.

The layoff Tuesday of nearly 1,100 workers was the latest step in what has so far been an unsuccessful attempt to bring Exxon Corp.'s ailing office-automation business into the black. Combined with layoffs of 600 workers a few months ago, the new cutbacks reduced the office-systems' work force from nearly 6,000 employees to 4,000.

"The moves are really designed to strengthen the company and to move us from operating in the red to operating in the black, which is our target by the end of next year," said Fred Mason, director of public affairs of the office-systems company, which is based in Stamford, Conn.

Organizational Shakeup.
WASHINGTON — Sen. Clai- borne Pell, a Democrat, has introduced legislation to repeal the controversial provision in the 1981 tax bill that has allowed corporations to defer tax on paper transactions in which they can buy and sell tax credits and depreciation deductions by paying for another company's equipment then leasing it back.

In practice, however, the leasing provision also has proved to be a major bonanza for some highly profitable companies which, because they pay no federal taxes, are able to sell their tax breaks to other profitable firms.

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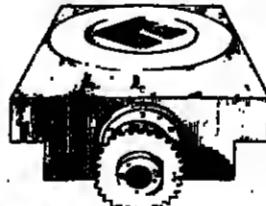
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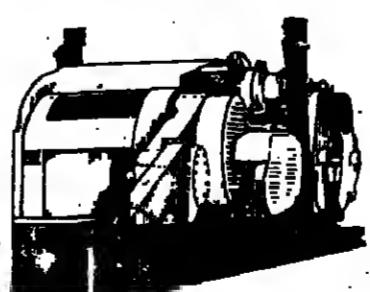
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Advance Seen By Japanese in Carbon Fiber

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Japanese scientists said Wednesday that they have produced a new type of carbon fiber that is an improvement over current types.

Morinobu Endo of Shinshu University in Nagoya, central Japan, said he and a colleague, Tsuneo Koyama, had manufactured a high-quality carbon fiber by using small metal particles, including iron, nickel and cobalt.

The product is said to be five times as hard as the finest of carbon fibers now available. Its electric resistance is one-tenth to one-hundredth that of existing types, Mr. Endo said. He said that would make the carbon fiber especially useful in electronics manufacture.

For commercial production, the scientists will collaborate with a Japanese chemical firm, Showa Denko. An official of the firm said it hopes to manufacture the product by 1984.

The Shinshu University team has launched research into developing the fiber product in cooperation with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Pennsylvania and universities in France, Mr. Endo said.

Philippines Awards Eurocredit Mandate

Reuters

LONDON — The Philippine central bank has given the mandate to raise its \$300-million Eurocredit to a group of banks led by Manufacturers Hanover, Central Bank Governor Jaime Laya said Wednesday without giving further details.

Banking sources said the loan would be for 10 years at a split interest rate spread of $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ percentage point over London interbank offered rates. They said final negotiations were continuing.

Japan's Robots Offer A Glimpse of Future

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had more than 300 serious inquiries from U.S. companies alone, for systems ranging in cost from \$1 million to \$50 million. One company, Cincinnati Inc., has purchased a \$5-million system.

An indication of the general interest is that more than 600 foreigners have visited the plant in the past few months — mostly business executives, but also labor leaders and U.S. congressmen. Many were sufficiently curious to come even before the factory began operating Oct. 23.

Edge in Application

The Yamazaki plant, observers generally agree, represents a more flexible automated system than anything yet developed in Western Europe or the United States. But the Japanese edge in computerized manufacturing is not a matter of superior technology.

"They are certainly not ahead in technology in the sense of breakthroughs," said James C. Abegglen, vice president of the Boston Consulting Group in Tokyo. "They simply have the capacity to apply existing technology more quickly."

Mr. Yamazaki readily concedes that individually, the parts of his company's system are not new, and some are made abroad.

The distinguishing characteristic of the Yamazaki plant is the painstaking engineering and computer software development that ensure that the various parts of the system mesh smoothly. The development program dubbed "Project 21" for the 21st century, began two and a half years ago. The total cost of the new plant, including engineering, was \$18.6 million.

New Industrial Revolution

The manless plant is largely the result of many earlier steps in the application of microelectronics and computerization to manufacturing. This trend has been called the second Industrial Revolution, a change that is expected to revolutionize the manufacturing process and the work place as much as the introduction of mass production did in the late 18th century.

Widening Robot Gap

Furthermore, it appears that the robot gap will widen, since Japanese companies generally have more ambitious plans for installing them. For instance, Matsushita Electric has said that by 1990 it intends to be using 100,000 robots in its factories. The largest robot program of a U.S. firm is General Motors, which says it may have 14,000 robots by 1990, Mr. Aron said.

Within Japan's \$4-billion-a-year machine tool industry, Yamazaki is known as among the most aggressive in applying the new technology. This has paid off handsomely for the family firm, which until recently had been a modest-sized concern.

During the past three years, Yamazaki has quadrupled its revenues to about \$350 million this year. By 1984, Mr. Yamazaki estimated, the company's annual sales may reach \$580 million or so. As a privately held concern, Yamazaki does not disclose profit figures. But as Mr. Yamazaki, 42, toured the company's facilities outside Nagoya with a visitor, he noted that orders could decline by 50 percent and the company would still be profitable.

Oil Output Rise Posted by Nigeria

United Press International

LAGOS — Nigeria's oil production climbed to an average 1.25 million barrels a day in October from 1.06 million barrels a day in September, the OPEC news agency has reported.

Nigeria had been forced to cut its output to 700,000 barrels a day in August, from 1.9 million barrels daily at the start of this year because of a lack of buyers. But since Aug. 28, Nigeria has shaved its basic crude prices from \$40 a barrel to an effective rate of \$34.50.

The Nigerian central bank said the nation's external reserves had stayed above the \$5-billion level for the first eight months of this year, "seemingly unaffected by the drastic decline in oil exports which normally account for about 93 percent of all foreign exchange earnings," the news agency said. But it said foreign exchange reserves dropped sharply in September.

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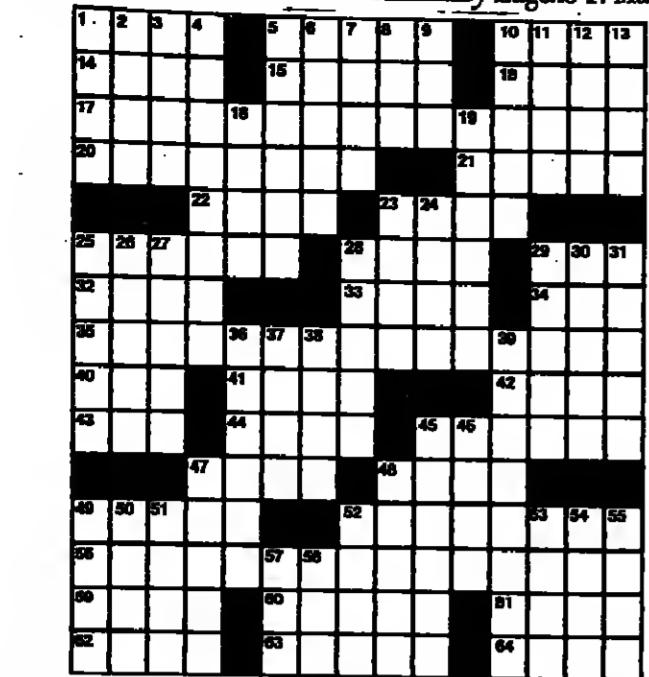
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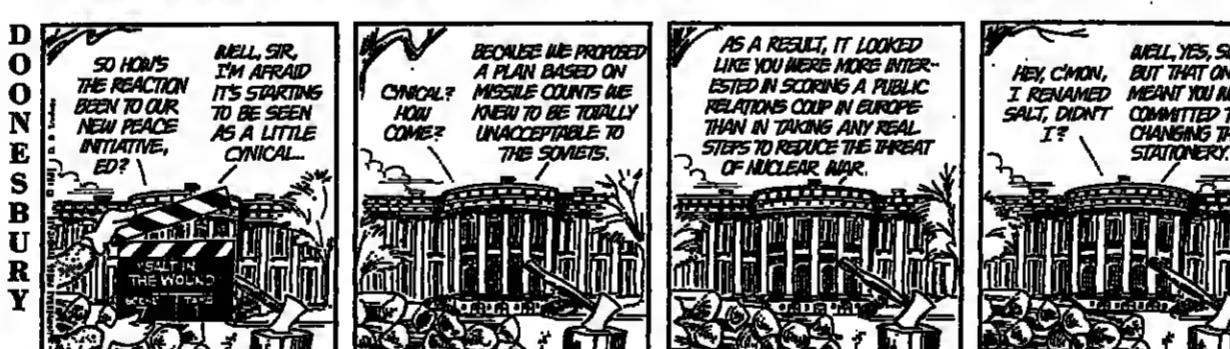
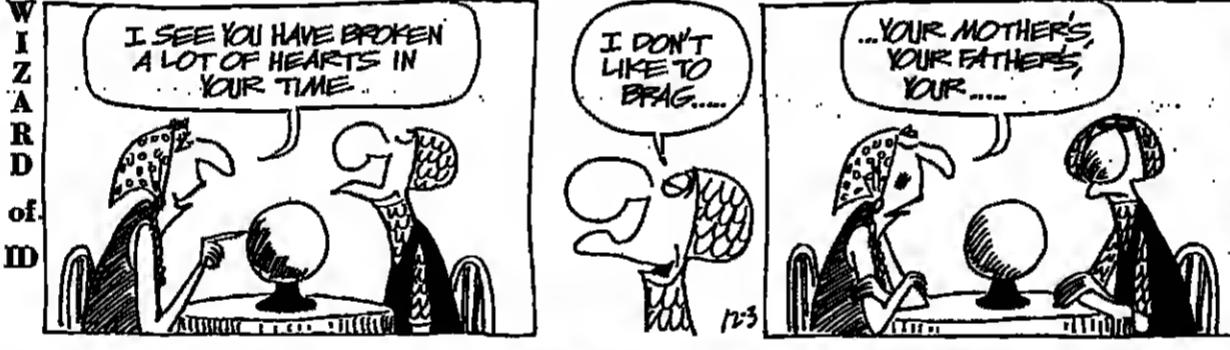
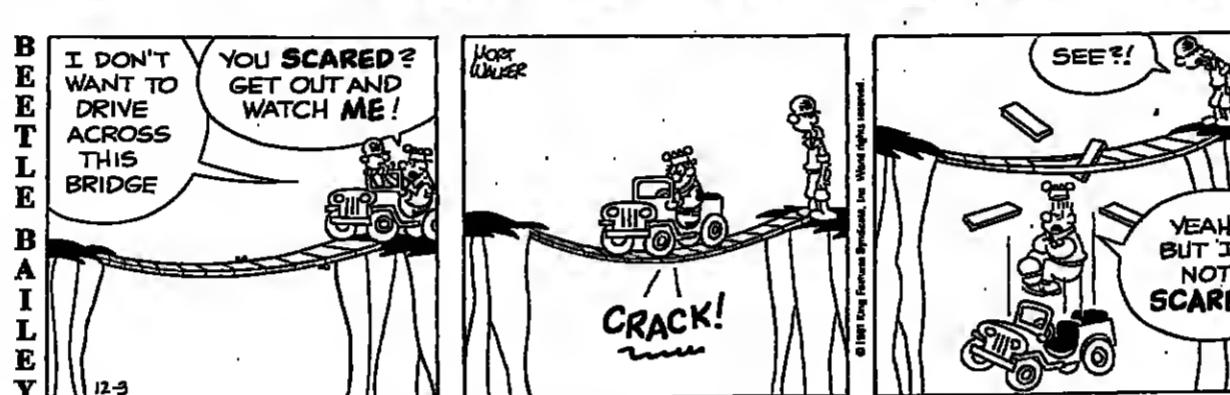
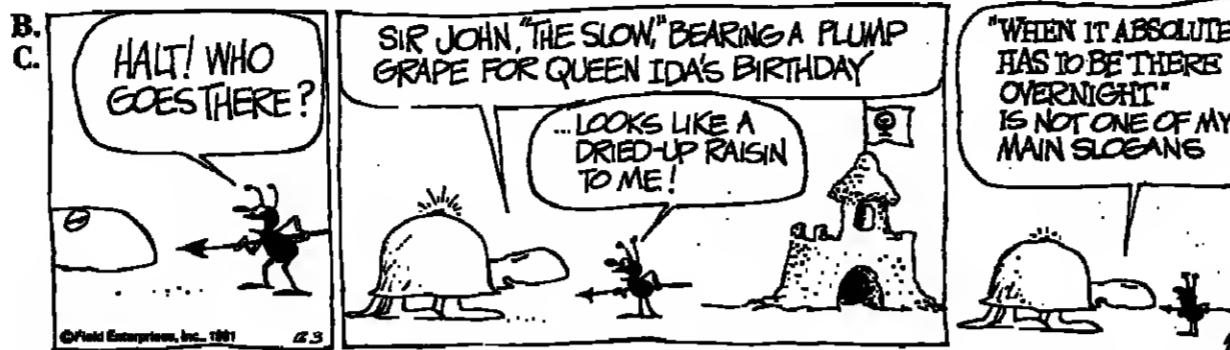
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BYU's McMahon: A Splendid Isolation

By James Tuote
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Jim McMahon, hardly noticed, stood on the fringe of the crowd surrounding Marcus Allen.

Although both were chosen by the American Football Coaches Association as all-America backs (they are also members of The Associated Press all-American team announced Tuesday), McMahon seemed a little less equal at a mid-town reception last week.

As a quarterback, McMahon is the National Collegiate Athletic Association passing leader in career statistics. He holds 60 national records and leads in total offense. He was one of three repeaters on the coaches' 1981 all-American team, but it was Allen, the first collegian to rush for more than 2,000 yards in a season, who held the spotlight.

Venues

The difference was that Allen gained his yards for Southern California, a name that connotes football might — like Pitt, Alabama and Penn State.

McMahon became the passing leader at Brigham Young, whose versatility sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

"Most people around the country think of Brigham Young as a small college," McMahon said. "They don't think very highly of our conference, the Western Athletic. Our school has been overlooked, and yet some colleges in our conference play very well outside the conference."

He says his stay at Brigham Young has put him ahead of other quarterbacks hoping for professional contracts, and he wants nothing more than to play well in the National Football League.

"I'll be coming into an offense I know something about," he said, referring to a system based on the

pro pass attack. "Other guys around the country won't know half of what I know."

"I'd like to be recognized as one of the best quarterbacks ever to play the game."

He says he hopes to play with a West Coast team, "because I grew up there and all my friends are there."

He spent the first three years of his life in Jersey City, but has returned to his native New Jersey only once, to speak at a church function.

Just Like the Others

"Another myth is that everybody who goes to Brigham Young is a Mormon," he said. "That's not true."

"Ninety-eight percent of the people who go are Mormons, but only 35 to 40 percent of the football team."

"They recruit like every other college. They get the top players who can fit into their system and the kind of person who can fit into their program."

Courted by several other colleges after making an impression at Roy (Utah) High School, whose team he helped to a 20-0 record over two years, he chose Brigham Young because of its passing game. McMahon, raised a Roman Catholic, says living with the Mormon regimen has helped him.

Such variation has helped Brigham Young win 10 of 12 games this season. Most teams play 11, but BYU got the extra game because one of its games was in Hawaii. The Cougars finish their season against Washington State Dec. 18 in the Holiday Bowl at San Diego.

He was spotted as a future star as soon as he took the field with the Cougars' freshman team.

He started out as a punter (a 39.3-yard average for 35 kicks) but, given a chance to throw, he completed 10 of 16 passes. He was red-shirted for the 1979 season as BYU racked up an 11-0 record behind Marc Wilson's quarterbacking.

When Wilson left for the Oakland Raiders, McMahon began breaking school and national records for rushing and passing.

He led Brigham Young to its first bowl victory last year, a last-

minute 46-45 triumph over Southern Methodist in the Holiday Bowl.

"Looking back," he said, "I'm not sorry I went to BYU. I've done all I could. I have the ability to throw the football and lead the defense. And a degree from Brigham Young is highly regarded." He is a communications major.

"It's been a long season," he added wearily as he began the inevitable tour of receptions, handshakes and dinners that is the dubious reward of talented college players.

"It's taken its toll but it's also been a lot of fun."

"And I wouldn't be playing if I didn't enjoy it."

Jim McMahon
First past 4,000, passing

Marcus Allen
First past 2,000, rushing

Center, a Junior, Is Outland Winner

United Press International

NEW YORK — Junior center Dave Rimington of the University of Nebraska Tuesday was named winner of the 1981 Outland Trophy as college football's outstanding lineman. Rimington, 6-foot-2 and 283 pounds, is only the second center and the third junior ever to win the award, which has been presented annually for 36 years by the Football Writers Association of America.

Rimington guided Nebraska to its first undisputed Big Eight Conference championship since 1971. "He's the best center we've ever had," said his coach, Tom Osborne. "When you combine strength [a school-record 550-pound squat lift], quickness [5.0 seconds in the 40] and intelligence [a 3.2-point grade average in business], I haven't seen a better one."

Jim Richter of North Carolina State (1979) was the other center to win the Outland and defensive Coaches Association teams on probation by the NCAA are ineligible for the top 28 and national championships consideration by the UPI board of coaches. The only teams currently on probation are Arizona State, Miami (Fla.) and Southern Methodist.

Defense
Ends — Reggie Roby, Iowa; #3, 215, Junior.
Tight End — Tim Whisman, UCLA, #43, 225, Senior.
Wide Receivers — Anthony Carter, Michigan, #51, 161, Junior; Julius Donkwa, Pittsburgh, #43, 187, Junior.
Tacklers — Ed Marzilli, Michigan, #67, 275, Senior; Terry Tauch, Texas, #4, 234, Senior.
Guards — Kurt Becker, Michigan, #4, 221, Senior.
Center — Dave Rimington, Nebraska, #6, 282, Senior.
Guard — Marcus Allen, Southern California, #6, 223, Senior.
Tackle — Jim McMahon, Brigham Young, #11, 213, Senior.
Running Backs — Marcus Allen, Southern California, #6, 223, Senior; Herschel Walker, Georgia, #1, 223, Sophomore.
Quarterback — Gary Anderson, Syracuse, #5, 141, Senior.
Punter — Reggie Roby, Iowa, #4, 215, Junior.

SECOND TEAM
Offense

Tight End — Rod Holman, Tulane, #1, 208, Junior.
Tacklers — Jim Sorensen, Nevada, #21, 225, Senior.
Guards — Mike Pifer, Hastings, #21, 225, Senior.
Center — Tom Coughlin, Pittsburgh, #21, 225, Senior.
Guard — Dan Marino, Pittsburgh.
Running Backs — Eric Dickerson, Southern Methodist; Brett Woodcock, Michigan.
Quarterback — Eddie Corral, Southern Methodist.

Defense
Ends — Rusty Rule, Arkansas, #3, 225, Junior.
Tight End — Andre Tippins, Iowa, #4, 225, Senior.
Guards — Mike Sennett, Penn State, #4, 225, Senior.
Center — Kenneth Stutz, Texas, #4, 225, Senior.
Middle Guard — Tim Krumrie, Wisconsin, #24, 255, Senior.
Tacklers — Johnie Crook, Mississippi, #6, 225, Senior.
Guards — Eddie Tipton, Florida, #24, 225, Senior.
Tacklers — Mike Richardson, Arizona State, #4, 198, Junior.
Running Backs — Terry Kinard, Clemson, #4, 198, Junior.
Quarterback — Tommy Whitehead, Apponaug, #5, 171, Freshman.

Punter — Reggie Roby, Iowa, #4, 215, Junior.

Third Team

Offense

Tight End — Rodney Holmes, Tulane, #1, 208, Junior.

Tacklers — Mike Pifer, Hastings, #21, 225, Senior.

Guards — Mike Sennett, Penn State, #4, 225, Senior.

Center — Tom Coughlin, Pittsburgh, #21, 225, Senior.

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Quarterback — Tommy Whitehead, Apponaug, #5, 171, Freshman.

Punter — Reggie Roby, Iowa, #4, 215, Junior.

Fourth Team

Offense

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Guards — Mike Pifer, Hastings, #21, 225, Senior.

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Seventh Team

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Eighth Team

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Ninth Team

Offense

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Art Buchwald

Corporate Safety Net

WASHINGTON — People keep insisting that I'm making it up, but under a tax law lobbed through last summer, companies that lost money in 1981 can sell their losses to firms who made money, so the latter will not have to pay any corporation taxes.

Whereas company losses were something no one liked to talk about in the past, they now have become a valuable commodity and are being traded on the open market.

This is how it works:

Buchwald

"Hello, John. Hal Lemster of International Pushbutton calling. I just read your financial report. I see you people lost \$750 million this year. Congratulations."

"Thanks, Hal. I guess we were just lucky."

"Well, International Pushbutton had the best year ever. We made one billion-two, before taxes."

"Sorry to hear that, Hal."

"Everyone has an off year. I'm calling to buy your tax losses, John. If we can deduct your losses against our profits, and use the tax credits against new equipment, the government will owe us money."

"How much are you offering, Hal?"

"We'll give you \$100 million in cash, retool your plant and lease the equipment back to you at a very favorable rate. Our accountants figure that with speeded-up depreciation, we'll pay less taxes this year than the kid who works in the mail room."

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Stonehenge Officials Lift Curb on Visitors

The Associated Press

SALISBURY, England — Officials have dropped for a three-month trial period a ban on visitors entering the Inner Circle at Stonehenge, the prehistoric monument on Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire.

Banners were erected in 1978 around the inner of the two circles of stones because of vandalism by some of the 600,000 tourists who visit each year.

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out, but my accountants figure our tax losses are worth at least \$200 million."

"You must be crazy. Just because you had a bad year, and we had a good year, there is no sense holding us up."

"This is strictly business, Hal. Our losses are our only assets. United Bull has offered us \$150 million and I just had a call from Dumbbell Oil, which is willing to give us \$170 million in preferred notes. We're sitting in the catbird seat."

"John, I'll be very honest with you. If I don't find a company with large tax losses, I'll be in serious trouble with my stockholders. I'll never be able to explain to them why we had to pay taxes to the government on our profits. They could sue me for mismanagement."

"I don't want to hear about your troubles, Hal. Who told you to make a lot of money in the first place?"

"Someday you'll have a good year, John, and then you're going to need help from a losing company."

"Look, Hal, if you can't find a way of avoiding taxes don't cry on my shoulder."

"All right, John. I've got my controller here and we're ready to deal. We'll make you the same offer we made the Montezuma Automobile Co. We'll give you \$175 million in cash for your tax losses and lease back to you a completely new plant in Ohio."

"Now you're making sense. That means neither you nor I will have to pay any corporate taxes for the next five years."

"It's a sweet heart deal for both of us, John. Will you take it?"

"Sure, Hal. After all, what are friends for?"

"Great. How do you think Reagan's economic plan is going?"

"I think he's going to have to cut more fat out of the budget in order to get the deficit down. He's going to have to go after the welfare cheaters and the people who are always looking for a free lunch."

"You can say that again. When we went kids we worked for what we got. The only way Reagan is going to get this country back on its feet is to stop giving everyone with a hard-luck story a handout."

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Sterling Seagrave and the 'Yellow Rain' of Asia

By Henry Allen
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — The hospital — "our hospital," as Sterling Seagrave puts it, as being the seventh and possibly last generation of the Seagraves to be born in Burma — is in the northeastern part of the country. It sits on mountains overlooking China. You can see snowcapped peaks in the distance. It's a huge thing, eight or 10 buildings the size of the White House.

The hospital has everything and nothing to do with the book Seagrave just published about chemical warfare — "Yellow Rain." The book details what he and the U.S. State Department believe to be the Soviet development of a substance called T-2, which has been used by the Soviet Union, he says, and by Soviet surrogates, in Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, China, Yemen and Afghanistan.

Seagrave quotes a Laotian tribesman in the book: "There was blood coming from their noses and ears and blisters appeared on their skin. Their skin was turning yellow. All the chickens, dogs and pigs were also dead. The people who were not dead were jerking like fish when you take them out of the water. Their skins were already yellow. Soon some of them turned black and they got blisters like the others. Blood came from their noses and they died."

Son of the 'Burma Surgeon'
Seagrave is the scion not only of seven generations of doctors and Baptist missionaries in Burma, but also of Gordon Seagrave, who became famous as the "Burma Surgeon." The father's death in 1965 was followed by the confiscation of his hospital by the Burmese government and by the ouster of the Seagrave family from their home of 150 years.

The son, on this cold night in Washington, wears a lightweight blue blazer. He sips soda water in a hotel bar. He seems chronically wary, as if he's certain he will at any moment remember that he has forgotten his car keys or left the water running.

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He is 44, a dropout of the University of Miami, of Mexico, or Venezuela; a veteran of the Merchant Marine, and of two very

bad days being beaten by Cuban policemen who suspected rightly that he was trying to join the then-guerrilla forces of Fidel Castro. He has held a lot of jobs in journalism, from The Washington Post to the Pittsburgh Press to 10 years of free-lancing. He traveled in a dugout canoe down the Mekong River, from the Chinese border to Vientiane, Laos. He lived for two years in Malaysia, a year in Thailand, all over Asia except in Burma, where his father and family are buried. He was married to a Burmese. He is divorced. He spent years living with his two children on a 32-foot sailboat. He is rootless and homesick at the same time.

Permanently Crippled

"Hell, we've got a \$30- or \$40-million plant in Burma," he says, referring to the hospital, always in the present tense. "My first memories are of fleeing the Japs to India. Anybody who grows up in the situation I did is permanently crippled."

This has something to do with his decision "to come back to the U.S. to go to ground. I got a job with Time-Life books here. But it was quiet. I needed something to do. One night I met this man who'd been searching for MIAs in Laos."

The man, whom he calls Schramm in the book, had come back from Laos with the femur of a U.S. pilot and tales picked up from four French mercenaries about Hmong tribesmen being killed by airplanes dropping gas.

"Ypres," the Frenchman had said, referring to poison gas attacks at Ypres in World War I.

Seagrave looked into it.

He traveled through Indochina collecting reports, as did U.S. officials trying to find out what weapon it could be that would cause such deaths. He interviewed scientists and read biology texts. He studied the history of gas and germ warfare, all the horror and politicking that have resulted in all the labored and hopeless international covenants against it.

Mode of attack and Material-Agent used: Two L-19 airplanes — first one sprayed yellow and green powder that was not wet like rain — but fell to ground. Second plane few minutes later — fired rocket that exploded about 20 meters overhead releasing a red smoke-gas.

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Harry Nishikawa, The Washington Post

Sterling Seagrave: "I think Dad would be proud of me now."

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